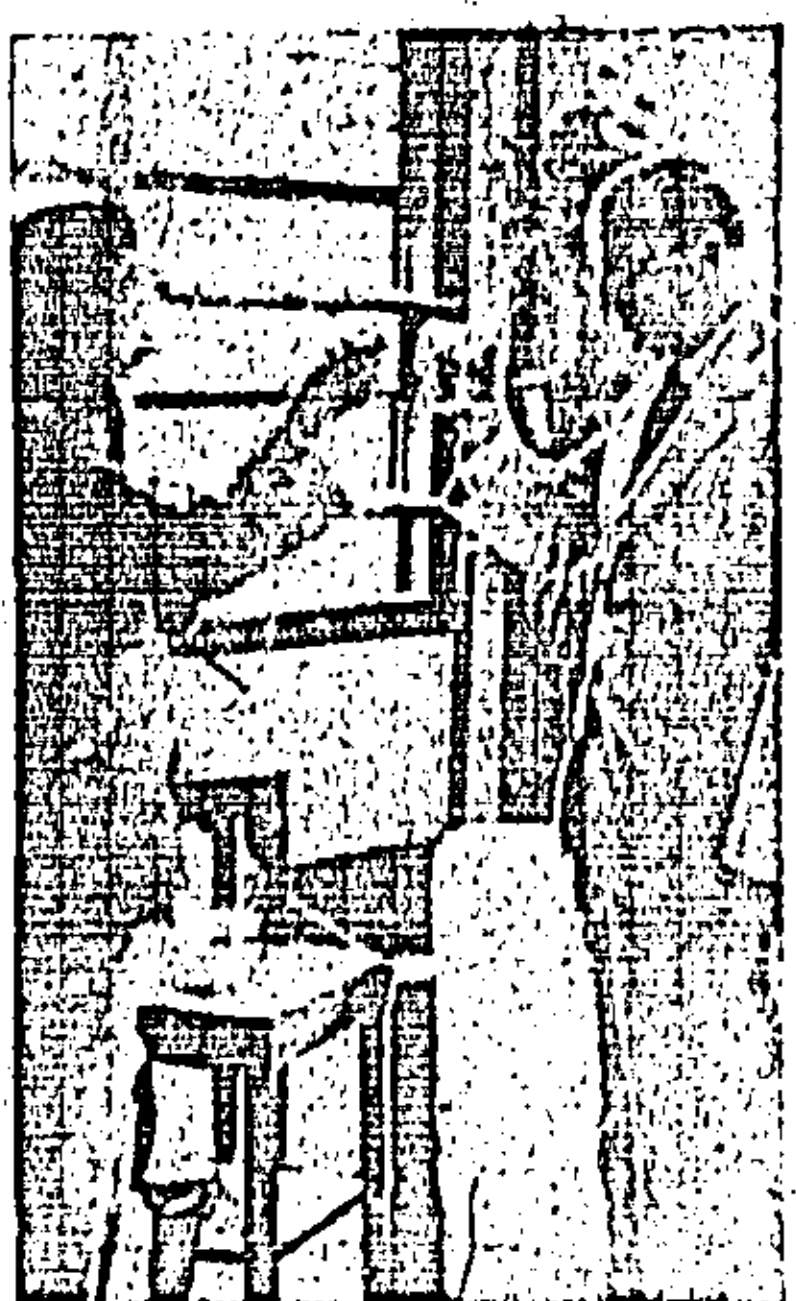


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**A TOAST**  
  
H.E. Sir Alexander Grantham, Governor of Hongkong, and General Chang Fa-kwei, chief of the Generalissimo's Canton headquarters, drink a toast to mutual good health and prosperity during Sir Alexander's visit to Canton this week.

**Strikes Break Out In France**  
Paris, Aug. 29.—The vacation of labour peace ended in France today as 10,000 workers struck at the great Peugeot auto plant at Sochaux and a dozen minor strikes broke out throughout the country.  
The Peugeot workers called a general strike after blast furnace workers walked out demanding a 15 franc-hourly pay increase and plant officials announced the entire works would be closed.  
Other labour developments were: Paris—All cafes and restaurants closed three hours while waiters held a mass meeting to decide on demands for higher wages.  
Belfort—Workers at the Japy typewriter factory struck for higher pay.  
Brest—Workers aboard the cruiser Jeanne d'Arc and the battleship Jean Bart struck for higher pay and a referendum was being held on a general dockyard workers' strike in sympathy.  
Rouen—Two thousand railway workers walked out yesterday, asking higher rations and protesting the cost of living.  
Other small strikes were called in the Calais docks and in the tomato fields around Agen in Southern France.  
The possibility of further bread protest walkouts was foreseen after today's announcement that the ration would be cut from 250 grams per person daily to 200 in September.—United Press.

**EDITORIAL**  
**Liberation Day**  
To-day—the second anniversary of the liberation of Hongkong—is a moment for celebration, it is also worthy to be one of stock-taking. On August 30, 1945, Admiral Sir Cecil Harcourt's task force entered the Colony's harbour to deliver an emancipated population from Japanese enslavement. It was an occasion, not only for thanksgiving, but for renewed hope in the future. At that moment the community was cautiously united in friendship and goodwill, and everything pointed to a new era of co-operation and contentment. Up to a limited point there have been changes for the better. To some degree, the "have-been" has been broken down, with confidence replacing suspicion. Friendships have been renewed, and the finest example of effective rehabilitation is that of the Chinese. Commercially, it has regained its feet so fast as to be almost embarrassing; it has become a haven for harassed millionaires, and a playground for the idle. But the friends of the Chinese, in some ways, leaned over backwards to wipe out memories of pre-war discrimination. We have become sufficiently modernised to merit, in the near future, the doubtful benefits of direct taxation, electoral representation and women serving on juries. The Colony is well fed, well clothed, and deplorably accommodated. A balance sheet can be struck, and interested parties can, according to their fancies, make it either one of credit or loss. Liberation we have had, but whether Hongkong can revel in the real liberation which is spiritual as much as it is physical, rests upon those who make up this conglomerate Colony. Flag-waving and band-playing on this day are not enough. Permanent prosperity and happiness depends on mutual understanding—the giving and taking—amongst the various sections of the community. Obstacles and irreconcilable elements who stir up trouble for trouble's sake must be controlled. Common sense must be the fundamental attribute shared by all who make Hongkong their home, for unless this be so, disruption and unrest will continue, and Liberation Day will become meaningless.

**Plan To Raise Level Of German Industry**  
**Steel Capacity To Be Increased**  
**REPARATIONS DELIVERIES**

Berlin, Aug. 29.—Britain and the United States today jointly announced a new plan for the German level of industry, increasing the production to within a few percent of the 1936 figure.  
The capacity of the steel industry—fixed by Britain, the United States and the Soviet Union at Potsdam in 1945 at 7,500,000 tons for the whole of Germany—is to be raised to 10,700,000 tons for the joint Anglo-American Zone.  
The announcement explained that the old plan was "based on specific assumptions that have not been fulfilled" and that Germany could not, under the present circumstances, "contribute her indispensable part to the economic rehabilitation of Europe as a whole."  
The entire difference between the old and the new plans would be in the big reparations industries—metal, machinery and chemicals. The announcement of the new level was 55 to 60 per cent less than the amounts these industries produced during the war.  
In 1936, conditions were normal, with neither a boom nor a depression to affect production.  
A further vital factor making the revision necessary was the increased population of the bizonal area. At ready there had been an increase of 6,000,000 over 1936 and an additional influx of 2,000,000 to 4,000,000 was expected by 1952.  
The overriding need had been to make the bizonal area self-supporting and therefore an account was taken of the requirements of the area and trade with the rest of Germany.  
**MORE EXPORTS ESSENTIAL**  
Experts had concluded that imports from outside Germany costing approximately £500,000,000 would be needed to make the area self-supporting, and that food, seed and fertilizer imports valued at £250,000,000 to £312,500,000 would be necessary to sustain an essential diet until this was achieved.  
As the 1936 exports for the area were valued at £437,500,000, exports at least 16 per cent higher must now be achieved.  
If they had to come from the present unrestricted industries, they would have to increase the output by 90 per cent. This is obviously impracticable, the announcement said.  
Therefore, it was found essential to increase production in the restricted industries to higher figures than before the war. Reparations deliveries from these industries are considerably curtailed under the new plan.  
On prohibited industries, the announcement said, that the production of aluminium, beryllium and vanadium were prohibited under the plan but no plant in these industries would be available for reparations pending further review.  
This long delayed announcement to raise the German level of industry received a "cautious welcome" in German political circles.  
The German Social Democrat Party, headed by Dr Kurt Schumacher, officially dubbed the plan "insufficient" tonight.  
France will maintain her objections to the raising to 10,700,000 tons for the Anglo-American Zone of the steel industry, which was fixed at Potsdam in 1945 at 7,500,000 tons for all Germany. Le Monde, the Paris newspaper often reflecting the views of the French Foreign Office, indicated last night.  
The big changes covered by the new plan are mainly in the three reparations industries—metals, machinery and chemicals.  
The British and United States Military Governments had intended to make the new plans known in mid July but postponed the announcement owing to the French objections, which were then thrashed out with the French in London in the talks just concluded.  
The French proposals concerning the future output of Ruhr coal are to be discussed in Berlin forthwith.  
The British Military Government today ordered all newspapers in the British Zone of Germany to report the level of industry plan.  
**SOVIET COMMENT**  
The Soviet licensed Neues Deutschland organ of the Socialist-Unity Party, described the London and Washington talks on German industry as "the latest links in the whole chain of one-sided actions by which it is intended to push developments in at least one part of Germany into a certain direction."  
The Tagespiegel, United States licensed morning paper, said today "The new figures for German industry are the outcome of sober business-like calculation, not intended to restore Germany's might but solely to wipe off the balance sheet a centre of misery which could never become a source of security."  
Britain's Commander-in-Chief in Germany, Marshal of the Air Force Sir Sholto Douglas, and the United States Military Governor, General Lucius D. Clay, were tonight holding a joint press conference to explain the plan, it was earlier learned.  
The official statement on the plan said that 1936 was picked as a year of neither a boom nor depression and the new level for the reparations industries would be 55 to 60 per cent less than their war output.  
General Lucius D. Clay, the United States Military Governor in Germany, told correspondents tonight "It was hoped that the 10,700,000 ton steel target set out in the new plan would be reached after the third year.  
He said that it was hoped to complete the list of the plants which are to stay in the German economy and those which are to be allotted for reparations in the bizonal area within three weeks.—Reuter.

**GOLD LEAVES BRITAIN**  
London, Aug. 30.—More than 15 tons of gold bullion sent to Britain by the Netherlands shortly before the German invasion have been flown back to Holland from London's Croydon Airport. It was announced in London on Friday.  
The gold is valued at between £2,000,000 and £3,500,000. Police and armed guards escorted it in specially strengthened vans from the Bank of England.  
Airport gates were locked when the 207 boxes of bullion, largest amount to leave England since the country went off the gold standard, were loaded on the planes.—Associated Press.

**ACTION AGAINST RIOTERS**  
**Tension Growing In Karachi**

New Delhi, Aug. 29.—A communique announced today that the joint India-Pakistan Defence Council had decided to throw stronger forces against rioters in the blazing Punjab. The Council gave orders that armed mobsters were to be shot on sight.  
The communique also said that concentration camps should be established by both countries to hold detained members of armed bands.  
The Governors General, Premiers and Commanders-in-Chief of India and Pakistan met in Lahore today and its first decision was to dissolve the Punjab boundary force under British Major-General's command, effective at midnight Sunday, and to hand over the border area's defence to the Dominion governments.  
Even as discussion got underway there were indications that Hindu-Muslim disorder was spreading to the Northwest Frontier Province. Reports reaching here told of four slayings in the provincial capital of Peshawar yesterday.  
**NO SECURITY**  
The Indian Government's woman Health Minister, Mrs. Rajkumar Amrit Kaur, who returned today from a plane tour of the riot areas with Lord Mountbatten, told a press conference today, "There is no security of life or property anywhere" in either Hindu East Punjab or Moslem West Punjab.  
She urged that immediate steps be taken for the exchange of population between the two areas and for the relief of tens of thousands of refugees who fled from the Punjab.  
Reports from Karachi said tension in the Pakistan capital was nearing the explosive point, with black market plans, rail and ship ticket dealers doing a rushing business among the city's 4,000 Sikhs trying to escape the expected reprisals from thousands of Moslem refugees pouring into the city from the Punjab.  
**TROOPS CALLED OUT**  
Troops were out in force, standing guard over railway stations and marching along Karachi's main street in a show of strength designed to keep down isolated incidents which the authorities feared might turn the city into another Lahore or no-convulsions said more than 90 per cent of the Sikh population is trying to leave. Airlines are booked solidly until September 10 and charter plane companies were doing capacity business.  
A delegation of Sikhs asked steamship companies, which now run two ships a week, to put more steamers on their routes.  
The Pakistan government issued a statement reiterating its determination to maintain peace in Karachi and ordered troops to parade to inspire confidence among the people that order would be maintained.—United Press.

**INSANE REACTIONARIES**  
London, Aug. 29.—The wave of communal disorders in the Punjab was the work of insane reactionaries, declared Mr. Asaf Ali, the Indian Ambassador to Washington, here tonight.  
Speaking at a reception organised by the Indian League at London's Caxton Hall, Asaf Ali, who is returning to Delhi, said that he was sure the violence would end after the transfer of power had become an accepted fact.  
"There is no difference in the disturbances that are occurring in India and the disturbances that are happening in Europe," he said.  
Describing newspaper reports as exaggerated, the Ambassador said that more attention had been paid to atrocities in India than had been paid to war between the Dutch and the Indonesians.  
"It is the same old story of one power wanting the products of a small nation. Why should a country the size of Holland covet the rubber of Indonesia? There may be some economic reason for this, but there is only one reason in India and that is the opportunists are making trouble because they feel the time has come when they can make trouble most effectively," he declared.  
India and Pakistan had the greatest opportunity for self-development and he knew that as India and Pakistan were dealing with human beings they would not fall.—Reuter.

**Instrument Of Surrender**

**INSTRUMENT OF SURRENDER**  
We, Major General Yasukichi Ueda and Vice Admiral Shigeru Fujita, in virtue of the unconditional surrender to the Allied Powers of all Japanese Armed Forces and all forces under Japanese control wherever situated, as proclaimed in Article Two of the Instrument of Surrender signed in Tokyo Bay on 2nd September, 1945, on behalf of the Emperor of Japan and the Japanese Imperial Headquarters, do hereby unconditionally surrender ourselves and all forces under our control to Rear Admiral Cecil Harcourt Japan Harbour, C.B., C.B.E., and undertake to carry out all such instructions as may be given by him or under his authority, and to issue all necessary orders for the purpose of giving effect to all his instructions.  
Given under our hands this 16th day of September, 1945, at Government House, Hong Kong.  
陸軍少将 岡田 梅太郎  
海軍中将 藤田 龍太郎  
To the presence of  
Cecil Harcourt  
On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief, China Theatre.

Above is a facsimile of the surrender document whereby Japanese army and navy chiefs in Hongkong unconditionally surrendered themselves and their forces to Admiral Harcourt. In adjoining column is a reproduction of the South China Morning Post and Hongkong Telegraph, the first paper to announce officially the liberation of Hongkong two years ago.

**EISENHOWER DESPONDENT**  
**World Divided Into Two Camps**

New York, Aug. 29.—General Dwight Eisenhower, the United States Chief of Staff, today bluntly declared that the world was already divided into "two great camps."  
He was speaking at the convention here of the American Legion which urged to support universal military training as the only way to ensure world peace, through a strong America.  
"We must face the hard fact that during the two years since hostilities ended, the co-operative spirit has lost ground," General Eisenhower said.  
"The world is now grouped on one side around dictatorships which subject the individual to absolute control, and on the other a democracy which provides him with a free and unlimited horizon.  
"As long as deliberate aggression against the rights and the existence of free government may be part of the international picture, we must be prepared for whatever may finally mean to us."  
**NO IMMEDIATE THREAT**  
"I don't want to be understood as seeing global war as an immediate threat," the General said.  
"But time, foresight and concerted effort are all necessary in order to possess at any given time a respectable, defensive posture," he added.  
"Defending the United States policy against foreign and domestic criticism," General Eisenhower asserted, "we find ourselves blamed, castigated and excoriated by some for any and all of our efforts towards peace."  
"In our own country we hear the short sighted cry 'Internationalism', implying the lack of patriotism," he said, "but the struggle to maintain world conditions essential to the preservation of our own freedoms."  
"From without, false propaganda brands democracy a menace to progress."  
"The exercise of freedoms for which we fought in a solemn pact is blocked in criticism to arouse by the forceful imposition of minority dictatorial control."  
Speaking of the responsibility of the United States for world peace, General Eisenhower added: "What America does today, what America plans for tomorrow, can decide the sort of world the generations after us will possess—whether it shall be governed by justice or enslaved by force."—Reuter.

**S. Africans Win Sporting Match At Canterbury**

London, Aug. 29.—A sporting day's cricket at Canterbury today ended in a victory for South Africa over Kent by 88 runs, with ten minutes to spare.  
It was a day notable for enterprising batting by both sides and great bowling by Mann, South Africa's slow left hander, who took seven Kent wickets for 85 runs.  
The tourists, who in the first innings led off by hitting out vigorously this morning, and after losing seven wickets, largely through forcing the pace were able to set Kent 320 runs to win by declaring at lunchtime, with a possible 3 hours, 20 minutes left for play.  
The Kent batsmen showed the same old die spirit, but went to defeat against Mann's superbly controlled flight, spin and accuracy.  
Close of play scores in the matches ended today were:  
At Canterbury—South Africa 410 and 227 for 7 declared; Kent 316 and 231.  
At The Oval—Surrey beat Leicestershire by an innings and 201 runs. Surrey 576; Leicestershire 107 and 208 (Pickering 70; E. A. Bedser, right arm slow off-spin, 3 for 13).  
**GLOUCESTER BEATEN**  
At Hove—Sussex beat Gloucestershire by nine wickets. Gloucestershire 293 and 259 (Wilson 90; Nye, right arm fast, 6 for 95); Sussex 426 and 127 for 1 (John Langridge, 50 not out 77).  
At Southend—Essex-Yorkshire match drawn. Yorkshire 401 and 280 (Hutton 104, Halliday 80, Lester 55; Peter Smith, right arm slow leg-breaker, 6 for 119); Essex 408 and 95 for 2 (Dodd not out 51).  
At Bournemouth—Hampshire-Lancashire match ended in a draw. Hampshire 363 and 224 for 7 declared (Arnold 67, Bailey 63); Lancashire 307 for 0 declared and 220 (Washbrook 105; Bailey, left arm slow, 6 for 82).  
In the match at Harrogate, the North beat the South by 88 runs. The North scored 320 and 248 and the south replied with 232 and 250 (Stimpson 57, Jackson 6 for 99).—Reuter.

**BOYS' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Hoylake, Cheshire, Aug. 29.—Prince Flamer was beaten in the semi-finals by Ian Caldwell of Croydon, Surrey, who won by one hole, of the Boys' Golf Championships here.  
In the final, Caldwell will meet James Armour, of Troon, Scotland. Both are 17 years of age.  
Caldwell, making his first appearance in the championships, had a three-way match with Prince Flamer. Three-up with five to play, Caldwell seemed set for a comfortable win but the youthful prince once again proved himself a courageous fighter as well as a fine golfer.  
He took the next three holes, holding a 20 yard putt for a birdie four (one under par) at the sixteenth to draw level.  
Caldwell was able to produce a match winning shot on the 17th green.—Reuter.

**Britons Win Easily**  
Copenhagen, August 30.—Four English entries play matches during the second day's play in the Danish amateur golf championships at the Rungsted course on Friday.  
The results included: J. Niven of England defeated A. D. Budtz of the United States 3 and 2.  
H. B. Nicholson of England defeated E. Brandgreen of Sweden 3 and 2.  
H. G. Bentley of England defeated E. Bengtson of Sweden 3 and 2 and A. Hill of England defeated Erik Steerk of Denmark 2 up.—Associated Press.

**BIG SEIZURE**  
Jerusalem, Aug. 29.—British troops and police seized Jewish stock and opium worth £20,000 and arrested six Arabs in a midnight swoop on an orange grove. The Southern Palestine District Military Headquarters said tonight.—Reuter.

**EXTRA FLEET ENTERING**

The first communique from the Hongkong Government to the people of Hongkong since December 1941 was issued this morning at 11 o'clock as follows:  
"Rear Admiral Harcourt is lying outside Hongkong with a very strong fleet. The Naval Dockyard is to be ready for his arrival by noon today.  
"Admiral Harcourt will enter the harbour having transferred his flag to the cruiser Swiftsure which will be accompanied by destroyers and submarines.  
"The capital ships will follow as soon as a passage has been swept.  
"The fleet includes two aircraft carriers indomitable of 23,000 tons, and the venerable; the battleship Anson of 35,000 tons and carrying 10 14-inch guns, the Eurynalus and the Swiftsure carrying 10 5.2-inch guns; the merchant ship Maldstone of 8,500 tons, the merchant cruiser, Prince Rupert, Canadian registry, and the Hospital ship Oxfordshire.  
"A considerable number of other ships will follow in a day or two.  
"The formal surrender is likely to follow the proceedings at Tokyo."

(South China Morning Post and The Hongkong Telegraph)  
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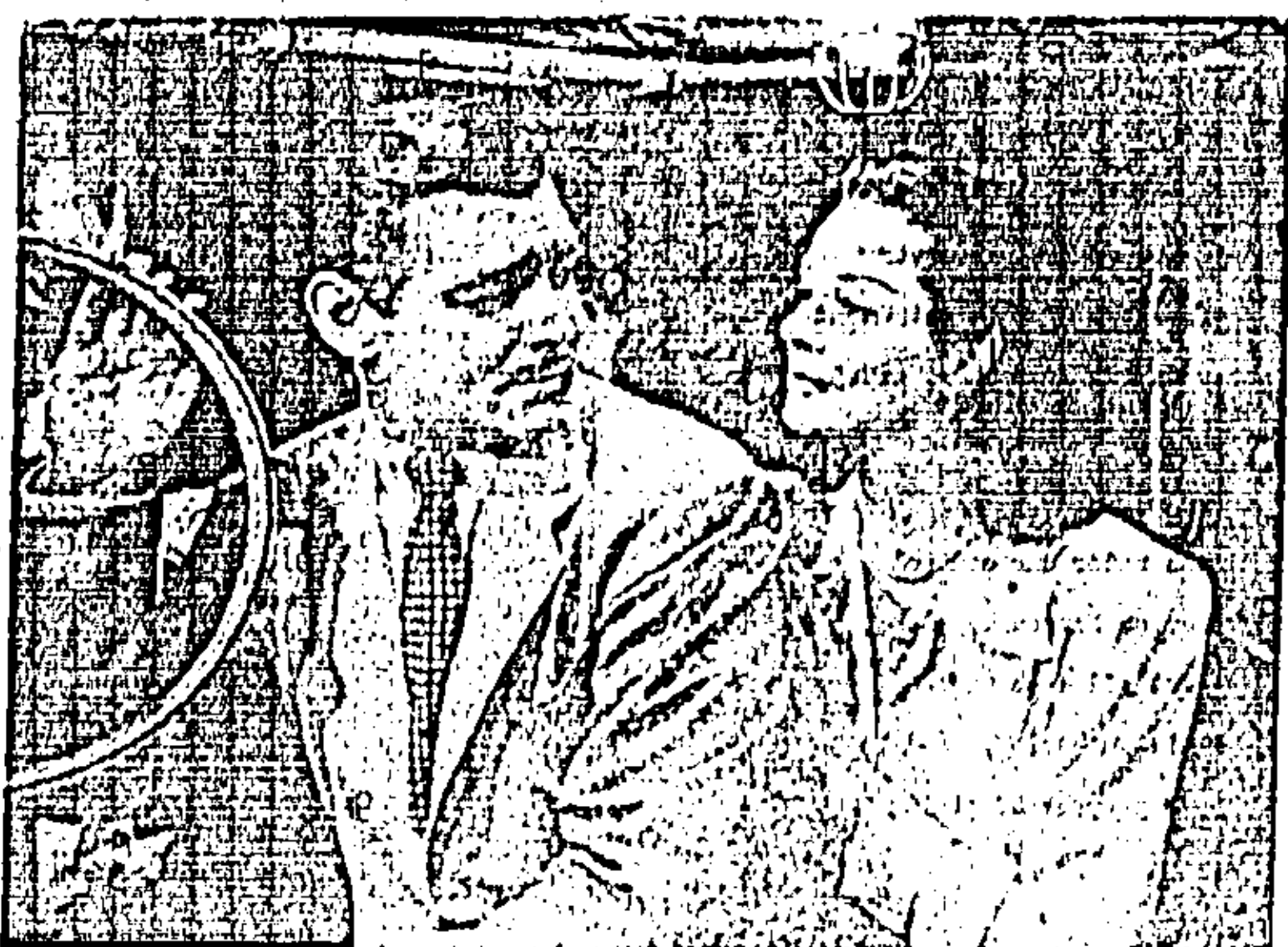
**Princess Turns Down Invitation**

Niagara Falls, Ontario, August 30.—W. L. Houck, Mayor of Niagara Falls disclosed on Friday that he had invited Princess Elizabeth and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten to visit the honeymooners' paradise on their wedding trip, but that they won't be coming.  
The Mayor received a reply to his invitation from Balmoral Castle where the Royal Family is on holiday. It said that the Princess regrets "being unable" to accede to his request but thanked the Mayor for his invitation.—Associated Press.



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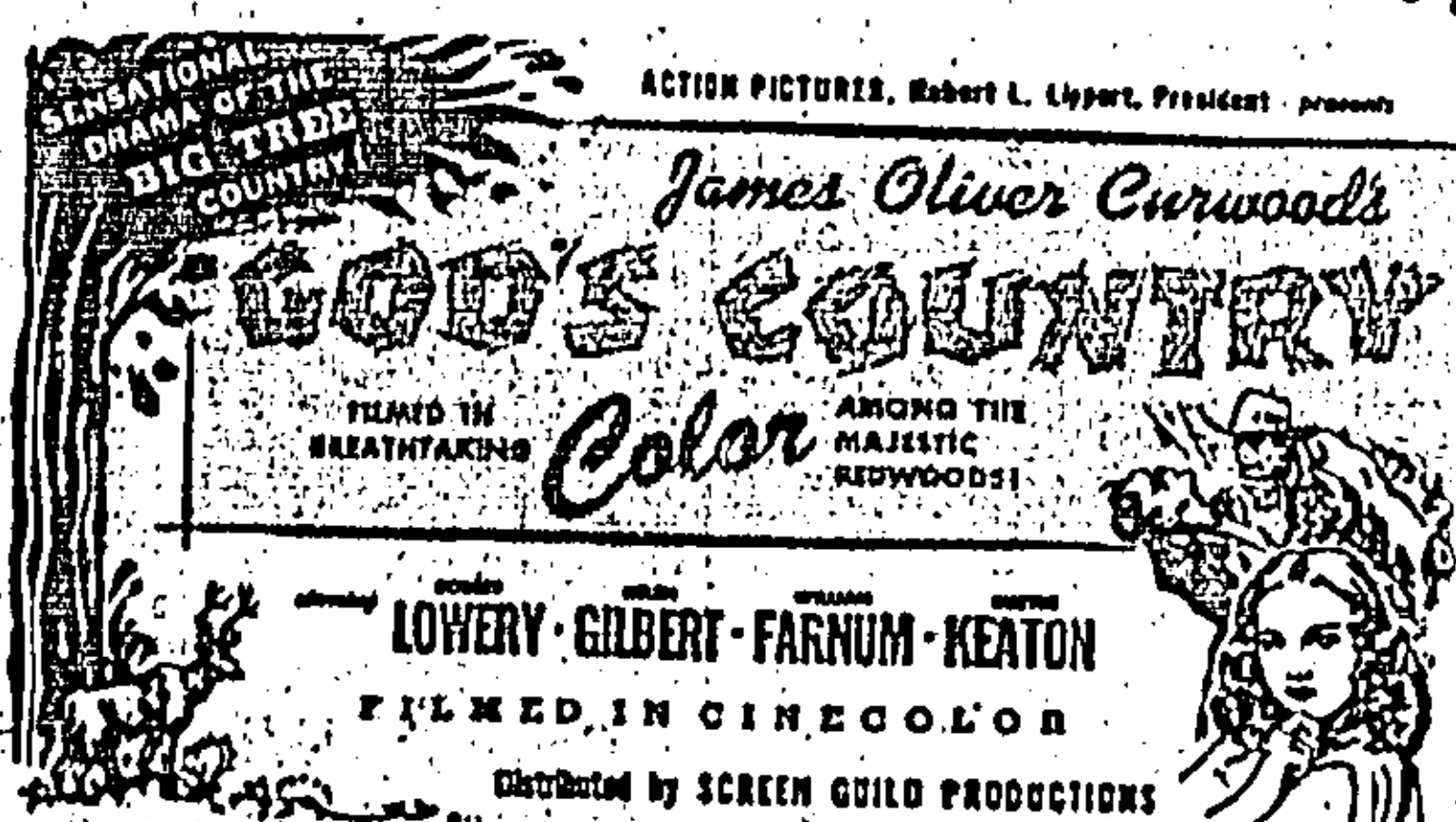
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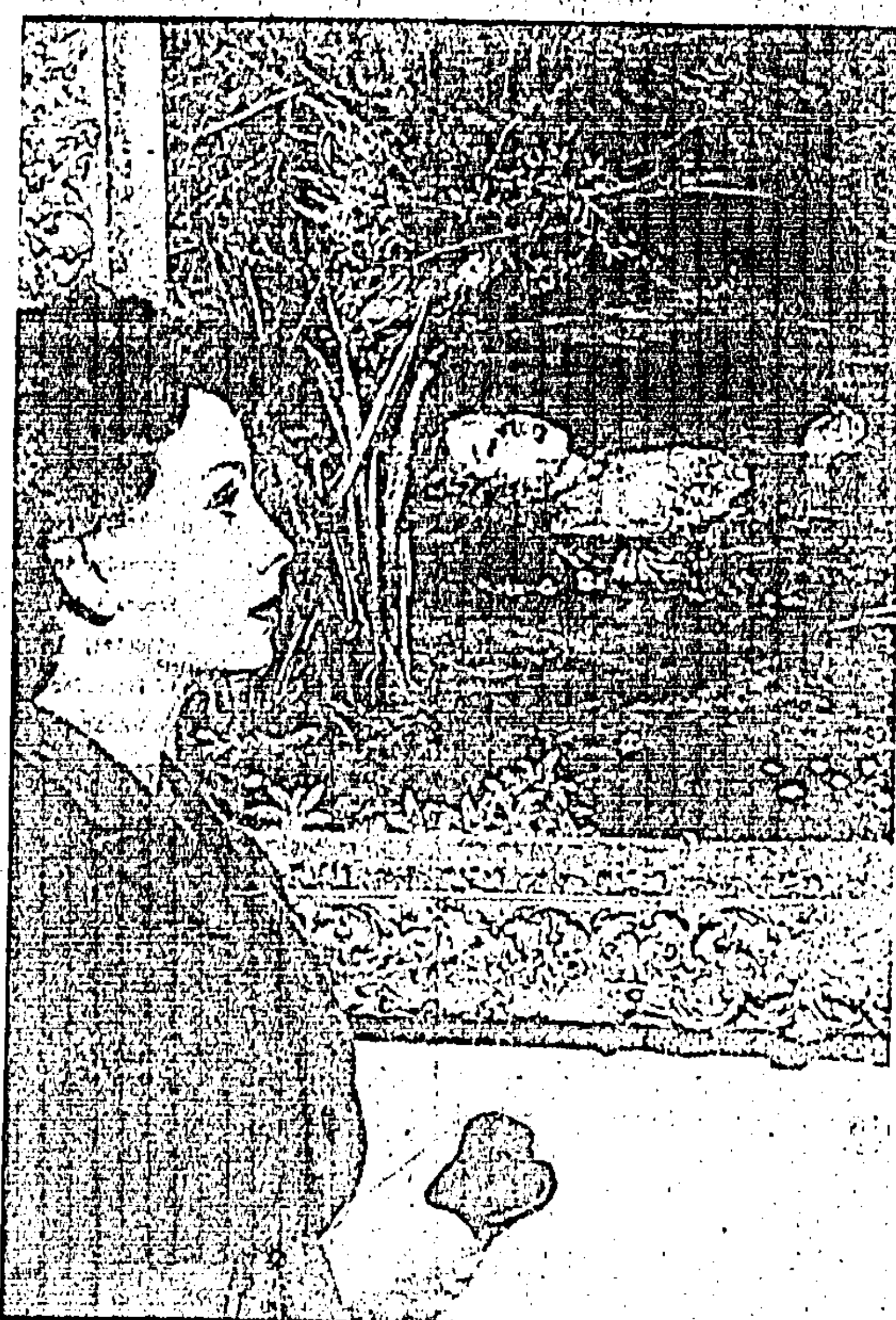
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## FILM FAN FARE



**THE NEW  
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THE OLD**

The Ophelia of 1847 went recently to see Ophelia of 1852—the famous painting by Millais, now in the National Gallery. Do you recognise the new Ophelia—the film star at 18? You may have seen her as a slave-harriet in "Caesar and Cleopatra." As the young Estella in "Great Expectations." Jean Simmons is the name. And she is playing Ophelia to Laurence Olivier's Hamlet in the film he is now directing.

## Oh, those Anglo-U.S. accents!

by STEPHEN WATTS

EXCHANGE of stars between Britain and America is a busy trade now.

A new Hollywood film stars Deborah Kerr. A new British film stars Martha Scott from Hollywood. Ann Todd, Phyllis Calvert and Michael Redgrave have made Hollywood films we have not yet seen. Ray Milland and Paulette Goddard are in England at work and Mr. Rank has signed up Bing Crosby, Claudette Colbert, Douglas Fairbanks Jun., and Joan Fontaine to make some films.

The two-way traffic is, on the whole, a good thing. Film-making is a polyglot affair and a change of scene is stimulating for everybody, so long as all the trips are round trips.

But there are dangers, and sound judgment on the choice of occasions is very necessary.

### Who erred?

IN Deborah Kerr's case judgment has erred. Whose judgment I'm not sure.

Miss Kerr is a highly intelligent young woman. Did she read and approve "The Hucksters" as her American debut? Or had she signed a contract which gave her no choice? The part is unsuitable and unworthy. She does all she can with it, dignifying the role by her presence.

Her beauty is indestructible, but for the first time I have to report a British star less well photographed than she was at home.

Half a dozen Hollywood girls could have played the part perfectly well.

At least there would then have been no need for wedding in a clumsy line about her being "the daughter" of an English lord—Sir Somebody.

That is presumably to excuse Miss Kerr's accent.

This accent problem works badly both ways. In "So Well Remembered" Marjorie Scott with her American accent, is the daughter of a Lancashire cotton-mill owner.

So somebody has to remark on the fact that she was educated on the Continent, in America and at Roedean, America won.

By contrast, John Mills manages the North Country speech admirably.

### Synthetic Scots

EVEN if there are only 4,000,000 Scots, they're a vocal and intransigent crowd. And I shall be very surprised if any of them are not incensed by "Bob, Son of Battle," a new dog-opera.

### THEATRE

#### Directory

SHOWING TODAY

KING'S—They Met in Bombay.

QUEEN'S—Wonder Man.

CENTRAL—Riders of Death Valley.

ALHAMBRA—God's Country.

#### NEXT CHANGE

KING'S—Ladies in Retirement.

QUEEN'S—Hatter's Castle.

CENTRAL—Song of the Sarong.

ALHAMBRA—Song of the Sarong.

## BING ADOPTS CHILD

Bing Crosby, the radio and screen singer, has become the foster father of Zulma Scheinowitz, 11, a Belgium half-orphan under the care of Rescue Children, Inc.

This organisation maintains 17 children's centre throughout Europe, housing 3,000 Jewish war orphans. Crosby, who has four sons of his own, "adopted" Zulma by contributing money to the rescue organisation for her support.

Some 1,800 other foster parents have been enlisted, each of whom contribute a dollar a day, on an annual basis, for the care of a child.

Zulma was born in Liege. At the war's outbreak, the family fled to France, where her father was arrested by the Nazis when Zulma was six years old. He has never been heard from since. The mother took Zulma and her sister, Miriam, to a forest hide-out of the Maquis, where they spent the rest of the war. On their return to Belgium, the mother and Miriam were stricken with tuberculosis and sent to a sanatorium. Zulma, in Antwerp, was placed under the care of the rescue group.—Associated Press.

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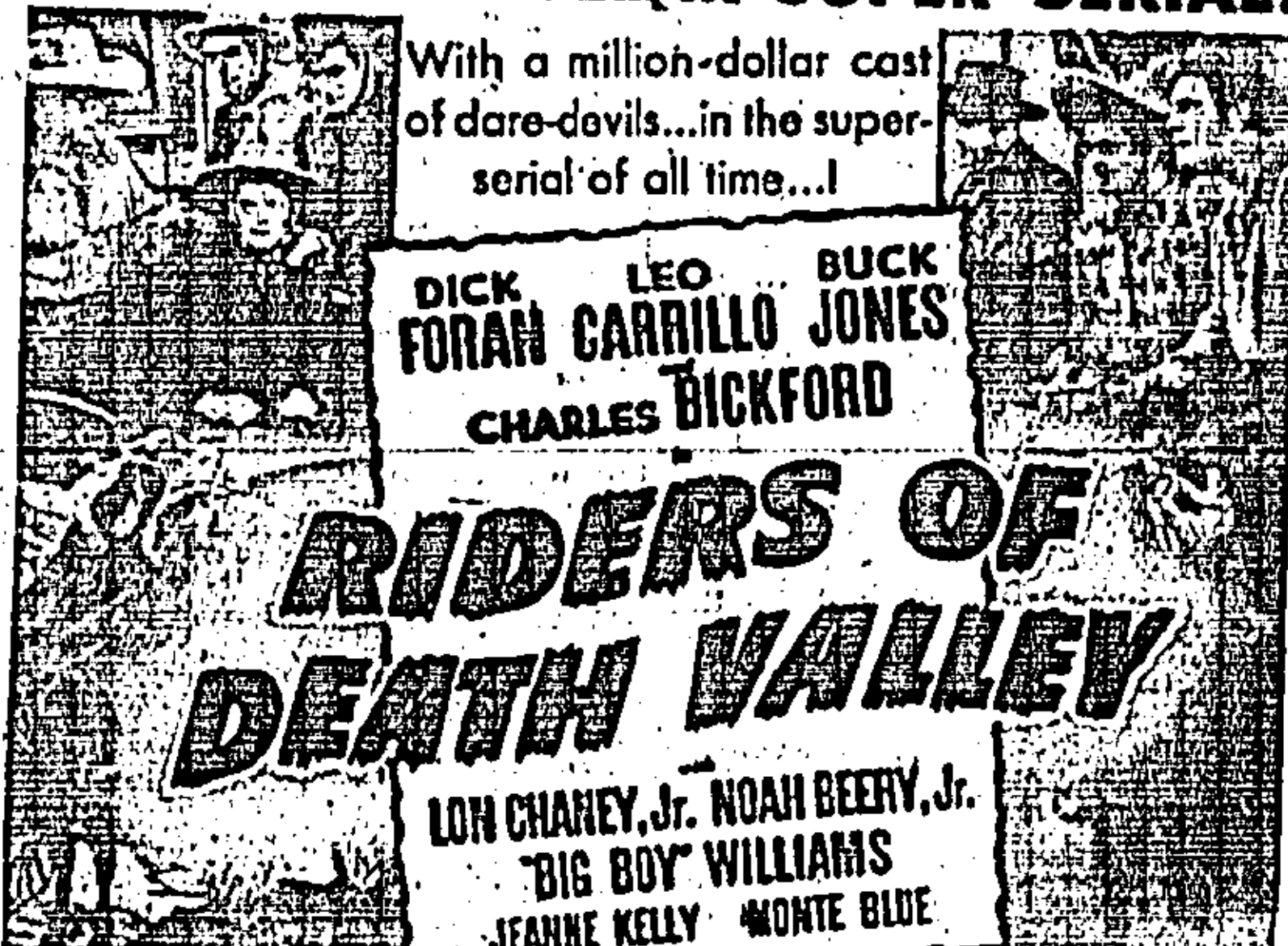
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New Coat-of-Arms  
For Princess

When Elizabeth is married to Philip, it will be necessary to change the coat-of-arms granted to her by the King on her 18th birthday, in 1944.

The background to her Arms at present is lozenge-shaped, showing she is a single woman. After marriage the background will be shield-shaped, and her Arms will be combined with her husband's.

As a Greek Prince, Mountbatten carries the Royal Arms of Greece, with an escutcheon of the Arms of Denmark.

The King will decide Elizabeth's

Red Rum Is Now  
Vodka's Rival

The Soviet Union has proudly announced production of its first rum.

The source is the first Soviet sugar cane farm in Uzbekistan, which is now producing 30 tons of sugar cane per hectare.

About a year ago the first Soviet vermouth appeared in Moscow shops, adding to a long list of Soviet-manufactured wines and vodkas. Champagne is on the list.

and Mountbatten's combined Arms on the advice of the Garter King of Arms, Sir Algar Howard.











EVERY SATURDAY

## WOMANSENSE FULL-PAGE FEATURE

## LONDON Likes BUTTONS

LONDON  
CHARLES Creed, British 20-year-old fashion house, launched a grand button and pocket drive in the autumn-spring suit show.

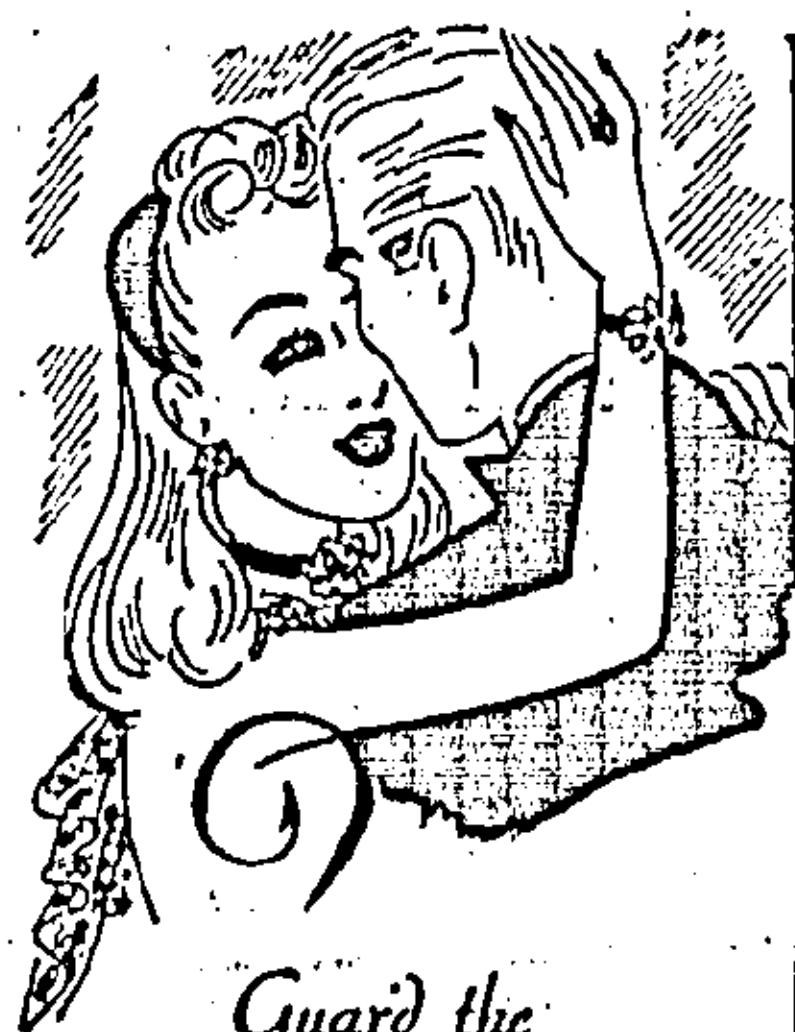
Creed's exclusive city slicker ensembles had button cuffs, two-row buttoned jackets with matching box-pleated button skirts. Lines were slim, in opposition to Captain Molyneux' hourglass silhouette. Skirts were longer, with varied use of pleats. Jackets had slightly padded shoulder lines with velvet-trimmed breast pockets.

Like his brother, tweed designer, Digby Morton, Charles Creed cut suits in the finest of British wools and worsteds. Dove-grey tweed had vertical pale-blue stripes. Heather-coloured combinations had gilt-edged material buttons to finish.

A cream shantung tailormade had an inset panel in the back of the jacket slightly shorter than the other two. A pencil-slim skirt had a back hip-pocket effect. The jacket fastened low, with three gilt buttons and half-circle shaped trousers.

Top-conti favoured highwayman collars. A swing-back coat in Hampton Red (bright red) had a highwayman collar, rounded shoulders and wide cuffs. Three leather buttons held a high place on the back of the coat and led into full unpressed pleats.

Reddish puffers in yellow-brown hopsack had a jigger-coat to match. —United Press.



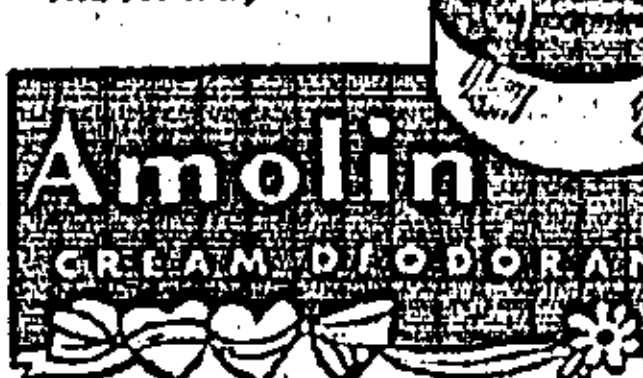
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## THIS MAGIC MIRROR

—REFLECTS A WOMAN TRYING ON HATS



"The leather would drive me mad," "Hm! But not quite me!"

Absurd—but rather fun!

Ah! That's the one!

The off-guard expressions you see in the picture strip above were recorded as a London hat-buyer was going through a high-tension moment in a woman's life. For selecting a new hat definitely is A CRISIS.

A London paper devised a mirror on the lines of those used by the F.B.I. in America for discovering espionage secrets during the war.

A woman looking into this glass sees the usual reflection. But anyone in position behind it can see her—as through a window—without being seen. The cameraman was behind this "transparent" mirror when he took these pictures.

How is it made? With a sheet of ordinary glass backed with a very thin layer of silver. The cameraman remains unseen because a black screen, placed behind him, reflects no light back through the mirror.

## Colony Men Approve Longer Skirt Trend

LONGER skirts, the most important issue of the day in the fashion field, have the approval of the majority of Hongkong men.

It's a bare majority, to be sure, but fully 55 percent of the Colony males questioned by WomanSense cast their vote "in favour of frocks coming well below the knee."

"More becoming to most women" was the typical comment of long-skirt advocates, while those with the opposite view called the idea "progressive" and "not in keeping with modern times."

As yet few signs of the drastic style change can be seen locally, but women are discussing the subject eagerly over bridge and mah jong tables and fashion pages and magazines are studied thoroughly. Reports from Paris, London, and New York say the longer skirt is "in" and many fashion experts declare that frocks should be worn halfway the leg to be in vogue.

## "It's About Time"

Male reaction to the idea was decided and spontaneous.

"Longer skirts?" exclaimed a merchant. "It's about time! Too many women with bad-looking legs are running around with skirts up to their knees."

"I much prefer longer dresses," another agreed. "Of course a lot depends on the knees.... (But) longer frocks are more graceful—and they surely hide leg deficiencies."

Several men were willing to have women with perfect legs continue to wear knee-length frocks, but they said, "There aren't many women in that class. Most of you look better in longer skirts."

A member of the Services wanted to know what length was advocated. "Halfway the leg?" he pondered seriously. "Yes, I think that strikes the happy medium. It's more becoming to most women.... I suppose a lot depends on the climate, though. Maybe short dresses are cooler."

## Opponents Air Views

Residents against... the new style had equally strong opinions on the subject.

"Longer skirts?" exploded a merchant navy officer. "My wife will never wear them." Then he added thoughtfully, "Or will she?"

"Nothing looks worse than a skirt halfway the leg," a government worker maintained. "It's an awkward length. Wear them either to the knee or to the ground. Personally I like them short for day and long for night."

"I'm against the idea," asserted another man. "It's retrogressive!"

## "Slaves To Fashion"

A ship's captain, voicing emphatic opposition to any downward course of skirts, wanted to know if corsets were coming back, too. Told that leech whalebones were insisted upon by some designers, he declared resignedly, "Oh well, I give up. Women are slaves to fashion. They don't pay any attention to what we males think. Why, look at some of your hats!"

Several husbands not only disliked longer skirts but thought the idea "just an excuse" for wives to get new dresses.

"I'll bet my wife hasn't one frock she can make longer," groaned one. "I can see it coming now—a whole new wardrobe."

Only one man disclaimed all interest in the subject. "I don't care what you wear," this cynic asserted. "Who wants to look at a woman's legs anyway?"

## More Babies

The world is producing more babies than before the war, it is disclosed in statistics gathered by UNO.

Pakistan has the highest birthrate with births averaging more than 41 per thousand population in recent years. Chile is second with 33 babies for every thousand residents. In the British Isles the rate has risen from just over 16 in pre-war years to more than 20 now. And Australia's birthrate has broken all records.

The United States averaged less than 18 births per thousand residents before World War I. Now the annual rate is up to 20. Holland's average has jumped from 20 to 30 and Canada's from 16 to 20.

UNO statistics indicated that India was the only country experiencing a decline in births, and the figures from that vast section were not complete.

## ROAST BEEF IS FEATURED ON ENGLISH DINNER MENU

By DIXIE TAYLOR

ALTHOUGH much of the world seems to think the English are "the world's worst cooks," I am among the minority who would challenge that statement.

Nobody can equal them in the preparation of joints, for instance, and did you ever have Yorkshire pudding made by anyone except the English?

(No, I'm not English—and I can't make good Yorkshire pudding!)

Roast beef, accompanied by Yorkshire pudding, is typically English—or should I say "was" before the late-war emergency? At any rate roast beef is available in the Colony, and Mrs. L. A. Sanh, who comes from Watford, Herts, is the source of information on its preparation.

She suggests the following menu for a typically English dinner:

Green pea soup  
Roast beef with Yorkshire pudding and horseradish sauce  
Roast potatoes  
Boiled cabbage  
Gooseberries with custard

Since pea soup requires long cooking, it's best to prepare enough for two or more meals while you're at it. None of the flavour is lost through reheating.

Purchase two pounds of ham bones, wash, and cover with two quarts of cold water. Bring to a boil and add two cups of dried split green peas (available in most shops), pepper to taste, and a teaspoon of finely shredded onion. No salt is needed since that comes from the bones. Simmer three hours, or until thick. Top each bowl of soup with croutons before taking to the table.

Cooking a joint is "so simple" it's hardly worth mentioning, according to Mrs. Sanh. She gets a four-pound beef roast when she wants to serve four persons and have some left over for cold meat.

Wash the meat and rub into it salt, pepper, and dripping ("plenty of dripping" unless the meat is very fat—and it usually isn't). Put on a rack in a roasting tin and cook in a hot oven 10 to 20 minutes, turning frequently until the meat is brown on all sides. Lower the heat to moderate and cook three hours—longer if you like your joint well done.

When the roast has cooked about an hour, place peeled potatoes around it. Baste and turn them frequently to obtain an even brown and to insure that the outer skin does not get tough and leathery.

The secret of good Yorkshire pudding, Mrs. Sanh says, is to make it in advance and let it set. She often mixes hers 12 hours ahead, and it must be given at least two hours to mellow.

To serve four persons, use four tablespoons of flour, a pinch of salt, one egg, and enough liquid to make a "runny" batter. Beat the egg, gradually add the flour which has been sifted with the salt, and stir until smooth. Add a mixture of half milk and half water—not all milk, or the pudding will be heavy. Allow to set. Pour into a baking pan in which a small amount of fat has been heated. Cook in a hot oven 30 minutes. Serve piping hot with the beef gravy.

Roast beef calls for horseradish sauce, in the thinking of Hertfordshire residents. Perhaps you can get the commercial product, but the freshly made is better—and horseradish is available in the native markets. Put the horseradish through a mincer, stir into it enough milk to make a smooth sauce, add a drop of vinegar, and it's ready to eat.

Boiled cabbage is the vegetable recommended—and cook it in a small amount of water, please! Fruit and custard is the perfect end to this typical English dinner.

Mrs. Sanh suggests, "Simmer gooseberries since the fresh ones are not to be had."

Serve the tart berries with a "pouring" custard prepared in the usual English way. That is to say, use a pint of milk, two level tablespoons of your favourite custard powder, and two ounces of sugar.

To the custard powder add enough of the milk to make a thin cream. Boil the remainder of the milk and add the sugar. While the milk is still boiling, pour it on the powder mixture, stirring continuously. May be served hot or cold, but cold is better in Hongkong's weather.

## JUNIOR BLISS

by PATRICIA LENNARD

TEEN-AGERS are lucky. Attractive dresses, designed to flatter their figures and suit the majority of their pockets, have been seen at many of the recent fashion shows; some are already in the shops.

Left, one of the new Derville hour-glass frocks has a simply tailored bodice and waist-whirling crinoline skirt. The frock of thin navy material, polka dotted in white, is worn over a stiffened canvas petticoat. The sweet and not-so-little-seventeen effect is emphasised by white sharkskin bows at the neck and sleeves and layers of tucks on the skirt.

Centre, a utility cotton frock by Horrocks (a b o u t HK\$40.00) is patterned with a coloured five-shilling-piece spot on white. The two-way style of the bodice is made for the slight figure; the bodice fits in, a bow at the front, baring the midriff, on colder days, the each ends are crossed in front and tie at the back like any other frock.

Right, the ballet-length dinner-dance dress by Linzi. The dress is made in rayon. The cap-sleeved bodice is hand-smocked, a waist belt lying at the back above a full skirt, the hem stiffened to give extra swing. This, too, is a utility model.

Usually mothers lack enthusiasm for the clothes that their teenage daughters would like to wear; but it is noteworthy that the new teen-age evening fashions meet with the approval of the mothers as well as of the girls who wear them.

A great many girls make themselves look unnecessarily old in their first dinner-frocks by trying to look unnecessarily sophisticated. The new fashions avoid this. They are full-skirted and on the short side, they look youthful as well as attractive.



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## Super Electronic Brains

New mathematical laboratories in which giant electronic brains will find speedy answers to the complex problems raised in atomic research and aviation have been established by the U.S. National Bureau of Standards.

Dr. Edward Condon, Director of the Bureau, announced the creation of national applied mathematics laboratories which will have branches in New York, Los Angeles and Washington.

Two ultra-high-speed electronic computing machines, said to be faster and better than any previous device, already are being built for the new laboratories.

Dr. Condon revealed that the new machines would solve in 10 minutes a problem which an expert mathematician, working day and night by ordinary means, would require three days to solve.—United Press.



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## The Mystery



### of Major Farran

To-day, Major Farran waits in Jerusalem to hear if the Palestine Supreme Court will call him as a witness in the case of a missing Jew.

Armoured patrols protect him from possible thug attacks. No outsiders must see him. Against his own wishes he has become a Very Important Person.

HE is 26, unmarried, fair-haired, sturdy, with set mouth full lower lip, pointed chin.

HE has been the cause of a special statement by the Palestine Government: "Suggestions have been made that Farran was a member of a special unit employing unorthodox methods against the terrorists. No authority has ever been given for the use of other than ordinary police methods."

HE looks much older than his years, particularly moustachioed.

HE has won the D.S.O., the MC three times, the Croix de Guerre and the U.S. American Legion of Merit.

HE was at a Buckingham Palace investiture in 1942.

HE writes affectionate letters home in spidery handwriting to his family in the three-floor, semi-detached house, Myron, Histonhill, Codsall, Staffs.

HE implores his mother (Mrs Minnie Farran, 44-year-old welfare worker), his father (Mr Stephen Farran, 56-year-old ex-regular RAF warrant officer), and three younger brothers: "Don't worry; say nothing."

HE escaped from Germans in Crete and Italy during the war, first by posing as a Greek peasant with a crate of chickens on top of a bus; second by crawling from a German hospital, dyeing his hair red, and bluffing his way through to British lines.

HE was wounded four times in the war and fractured his back after a parachute drop.

HE worked in a London office and laboratory after he left Northolt (Middlesex) Bishopshill School at 15, then joined the Territorials and went into the Royal Armoured Corps in 1940.

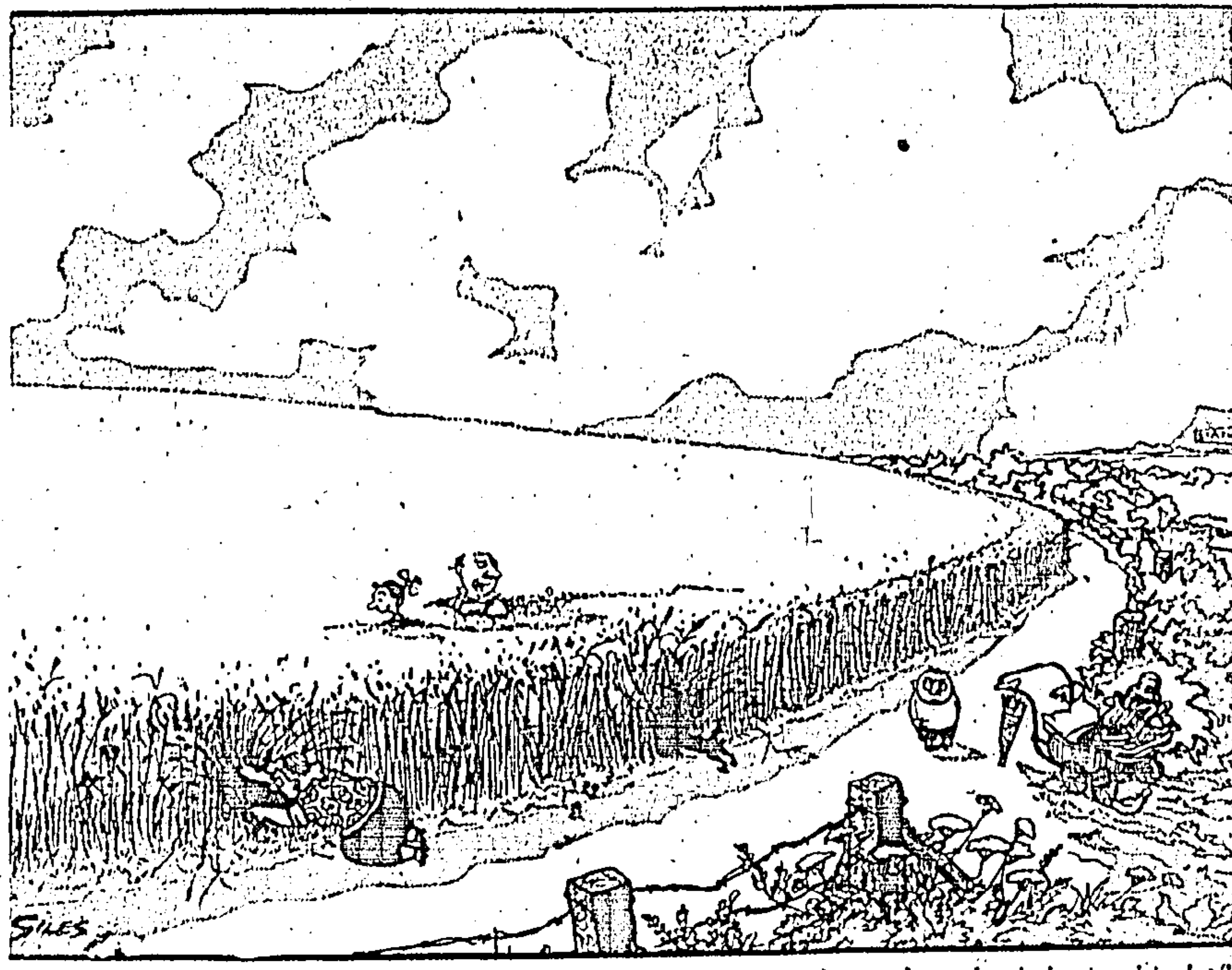
HE had a Church of England upbringing, but became a Roman Catholic when helping to organise French and Italian partisans.

HE sings cheerfully, in an out-of-tune voice, makes friends easily, but is often shyly embarrassed at social functions.

HE is a good horseman, likes swimming, hockey.

HE started writing his war reminiscences last year.

HE was an instructor at Sandhurst early this year, suddenly went to Palestine as Assistant Superintendent for the Palestine Police, in plain clothes.



"Useful sort, aren't you? Ten minutes to catch the train, and you lose the baby in this lot!"

## Family Double or Quits

A NEWS-GAME FOR EVERYONE

### WHO ARE THE EXPERTS IN YOUR HOME?

TOWARDS the end of each month, the Hongkong Telegraph presents on this page a news-game patterned on the famous Double-or-Quits radio feature.

Here's how you play: For each topic there are five questions based on this month's news as reported in Hongkong newspapers. Choose the topic you think you know best. Politics for Father? Lucky Dip for Mother? Sport for young Tom? Give them their choice.

A correct answer for the first question in each five gets one point. From then on, it's double-or-quits. So a correct answer to the second question can be worth 2 points, to the third question 4 points, to the fourth question 8 points.

And the fifth question, if the previous four have been answered correctly, is worth 16 points. The real family expert will get a total of 31 points.

Now who's to be Question Master. Fixed that? O.K. Get started.

The correct answers will be found on Page 10.

#### PEOPLE

1. General H. G. D. Crener has now retired from the Canadian Army. This month he headed a Canadian Goodwill Mission to China, and paid a flying visit to Hongkong. What was his last job before the surrender of Germany?

2. Who is the Governor-General of Pakistan?

3. Name the French High Commissioner to Indo-China.

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#### SPORT

1. Do you remember the result of the fifth and final Test match between England and South Africa?

2. If you do, you will probably also be able to give the correct result of the rubber between these cricket teams.

3. An English cricketer has scored 19 centuries so far this season. Who is he?

4. Sing Tao opened their English soccer tour on August 23. Which famous amateur team did they play?

5. After which, of course, it will be simple for you to give the result of that match—who were the winners and by what score?

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## Stories of Scotland Yard

### Women are the cleverest crooks

by EX-SUPT. T. B. THOMPSON  
late of the 'Big Five'

WOMEN criminals are cleverer than men. If women took to big-time crime they would be far harder to catch than the majority of men the police have to deal with today.

They are more subtle, adapt their minds to a change of situation quickly—and they are more sensitive than men.

I have mentioned this sensitivity before. The average criminal leads an unhappy life. He is always on his guard, always listening for the knock on the door which may herald the arrival of the police.

I have known a man leave his home, abandon a heap of "swag" and vanish completely, because a plainclothes officer paused for a few minutes outside his house.

#### Golden rule

BUT I have known women to lie and bluff so well that the wretched policeman has spent sleepless nights worrying over the consequences of "wrongful arrest."

There is one golden rule in dealing with women crooks: It is "Set a woman to catch a woman."

Some of the C.I.D. women at Scotland Yard—and some of the store detectives who catch shoplifters—have displayed almost incredible intuition and subtlety, without which their men colleagues would never have been able to make the final arrests.

One of the smartest workers of fraud was a woman who kept us guessing right up to the time of her arrest—and even then she might have beaten us by sheer nerve if she had not been too greedy.

A well-known London store told us that a woman had been consistently obtaining goods on credit, by telling the cashiers to put the cost down to Lady X's account.

#### Secret message

THEY were almost certain of the swindler's identity, so we sent down a man to keep observation and make the arrest.

The cashiers were given special instructions to call our man when the customer put down any more goods to Lady X's account.

After a few days the suspect came in. She made some purchases, and used her normal method of obtaining credit.

The cashier made some excuse to hold up the transaction, and sent a secret message to our man.

Our suspect knew instinctively that something was wrong, but she did not turn a hair. She waited, smiling, at the desk for a few minutes, and then walked slowly to the lift.

The detective, hurrying through the crowded shop, just managed to jump in after her as the doors closed. He said quietly:

"I would like you to come with me. I understand that you have been obtaining goods in the name of Lady X, and you are not Lady X."

The woman did not blink an eyelid. She replied tartly:

"Of course I am not Lady X. I have never suggested that I was. I merely asked for my purchases to be put on Lady X's account. She is a very old friend of mine and it is an arrangement we have made between us."

#### Slammed door

BEFORE the detective could recover from this reply, she went on:

"I am now going up to Lady X's flat above the store. If you don't believe me you had better come along."

Wondering whether he had made the biggest blunder of his career, the detective accompanied her along the corridor to the door of one of the luxury flats, which in those days occupied the upper storeys of the building.

The woman rang the bell, spoke a few quiet words to the butler and went inside. Before the detective could follow, the door was slammed in his face.

He rang the bell furiously, but it was several minutes before the butler answered, and then there was a further delay while he proved his identity.

He found that the woman had whispered to the butler that he was annoying her, and since the maid recognised the woman as one who had called on Lady X, she had let her out by the back door.

The detective went out by the back door and tried to pick up a cold trail. He reasoned correctly that the woman who had such a cold nerve would not try to bolt from the neighbourhood.

#### Perfect bluff

SURE enough he saw her through the window of a nearby milliner's trying on a new hat.

But she was quicker. She recognised the shape of his hat above the screen and vanished out of one door as he entered by another.

Some nights later we got on her trail again. I was present when we found the woman at a dance. We asked her to leave the floor and interviewed her in the cloakroom.

She was still bluffing perfectly, and I was by no means happy when she consented to come with us, saying in a menacing tone:

"You will be sorry about this mistake."

We waited for her to collect her fur wrap. That was where she made her mistake. For the wrap she collected was one she had obtained by false pretences, had sold to another woman who was at the dance—and she took this opportunity to steal it back!

That gave us the initial evidence against her, and I am not sure that, had it not been for that last-minute piece of greed, her bluff would not have staved us off.

#### Uncanny gift

ONE of the finest women observers we ever had at the Yard was a C.I.D. sergeant named Jean. She worked for me on many cases, including the Flannelfoot capture, and her gift for being natural in any kind of disguise was uncanny.

I have known her to borrow a baby and a pram and change the nappies in the child under the nose of the man she was shadowing.

He had no idea that the earnest young nurse, with a mouthful of safety-pins would one day appear in the witness-box to help convict him.

Jean's best effort was in a poison-pen case at Wimbledon. We suspected a woman living in a block of flats, and we wanted to keep observation on her.

Now, it is no good leaving a few detectives scattered around the street; the lamp-post loiterer is soon spotted by the suspicious criminal.

We have to find a good position under cover, preferably in a house or flat with a view over the suspect's home.

#### Parents' offer

IN this Wimbledon case we had the greatest difficulty in obtaining help from any of the suspect's neighbours.

But one day a young girl's dog jumped into my car. I got out and told her that her pet had given himself up to the police.

As a result of my banter I was introduced to her parents who offered to help.

Jean promptly became their housemaid. She did the washing up as efficiently as she kept watch on the lift opposite.

When she went into the house as the "maid" she was always dressed in a quiet, dark frock. But when she came out to shadow the suspect she appeared in a variety of clothes.

Sometimes she wore glasses; sometimes she wore a wig.

Once she changed into a man's clothes, put a basket on her arm and became a baker's roundsman. Our suspect could make no move without Jean being right on her tail.

The trap which finally caught the poison-pen writer was specially prepared.

#### Vital link

BUT it was Jean, the casual visitor who "happened" to be in the post office at the time the suspect bought some stamps and saw her post certain letters, who provided the vital link in the chain of evidence.

The envelopes with the stamps on them were tested under an ultra-violet ray lamp and the ink became fluorescent, establishing the woman's guilt.

For sheer instinct the finest sleuth I ever knew was a woman store detective.

Lillian had been an art mistress, and she was a painter of talent. But she decided that she wanted to be a detective.

Against the advice of all her friends, she threw up her job at the art school, took a course of training, and got a job as a house detective at one of the big West End stores.

She soon proved her worth at catching shoplifters in the act, but Lillian went further than that.

She could pick the "wrong" uns even before they began to steal.

#### Kept watch

LILLIAN would stand near the doors of the store watching the customers come in.

Something, either in the expression of the eyes, the furtiveness of movement or the very atmosphere of determination of a certain customer would give Lillian her cue.

She would pick her woman, watch her, follow her throughout the store, and would be standing by to tap her on the elbow the moment she started transferring goods from the counter into her handbag or coat.

Lillian's instinct was rarely wrong. If the customer she had picked out as a likely thief behaved perfectly innocent on her first visit, it was odds on that she was picked up as a shoplifter on a later sortie.

Women criminals are ruthless when they have made up their minds to prey. I have known a woman defraud helpless pensioners until they have been starving.

#### A woman's way

IF a woman decides to make money by fraud or swindling she will pursue her course without any of the sentimental generosity that marks the character of so many regular men crooks.

But, fortunately, women do not normally plan big-scale frauds on their own.

Unless they are operating with confidence men or as part of a well-organised gang of men criminals, they confine themselves to small and immediate profits.

Which, considering their ingenuity and effrontery when they do set out to plunder, is fortunate for the public—and for the police.

#### NEXT WEEK

'Dud' cheques

## Divorce is not so Modern

By LEILA CLARK

MAIDS and ways of solving the current divorce problem are giving social workers an oversized headache... but by no means a new one. For nearly 4,000 years the wisest of men have been trying to find a solution to the same question.

In 1901, a stone tablet was unearthed, engraved with what was apparently part of the code of Hammurabi, one time King of Babylon. It showed how the lawmakers of the year 2260 BC tackled the question of marriage and divorce.

The inscription read: "If a man put his face to put away a concubine who has borne him children, or a wife who has presented him with a child, he shall return to that woman her dowry, and shall give her the income of field, garden and goods, and she shall bring up her children, and the man of her choice may marry her."

Causes for divorce—barrenness, foolishness, neglect and disease—were also listed. Strangely enough, adultery did not come into the category of causes for a Babylonian divorce, although it was considered a criminal offence punishable by drowning.

ONE redeeming feature of this set-up was that a wife could leave her husband at her own discretion and demand her dowry which was granted her by the law. If her record was satisfactory.

"But," says the code "If she hath not been a dutiful wife, hath gadded about, hath neglected her household and hath bolted her husband, they shall drown that woman in the water."

Hard times indeed!

In ancient India and the East, women had little say in the matter.

Divorce was completely and irrevocably denied the wife, leaving her no redress for any wrongs committed.

A husband, though, could have marriage annulled for various reasons, such as incapability, bad conduct, extravagance, disease. If he just was fed-up with marriage anyway, he could dismiss the wife at his pleasure.

For the Mohammedan husband, divorce was cheap and hasty. He merely repeated three times, "Thou art divorced," and that was that.

THE American Indians, numerous African tribes and natives of the Pacific Islands had systems of divorce, their maxim being that where divorce was easiest, there was the least abuse of it.

To get rid of your mate in some early Australian aboriginal tribes was somewhat an un-nerving process... for the wife anyway.

In one tribe the wife stood against a tree while her husband tried to hit her with three spears. If he missed she was a free woman. As it turned out, so many young girls were married to decrepit old men, whose aim was shaky, that the chances of divorce or death were about even.

The ancient Greeks took marriage and divorce rather lightly. Even in the Golden Age of Pericles, it was the common practice to lend your wife to a friend. In fact, the chief pastime of the popular gods and goddesses of the day was marital infidelity.

Plato, however, believed not only in the economic freedom of women, but also in free motherhood.

Still it was apparent from his writings that he thought very little

of women as he knew them, and could see only faint possibilities, in the sex.

The ancient Hebrews were the first to get the modern slant on things. The husband's absolute right of divorce was abolished. A wife could obtain a divorce for several reasons, chief of which were "her husband's refusal to cohabit with her, his engaging in disreputable business, refusal to support, cruelty and licentiousness."

The Romans really gave us a definite foundation on which the present marriage and divorce laws are based. Marriage was regarded as an institution by the civil code and divorce was regulated by law. More important, women were given equal rights with men.

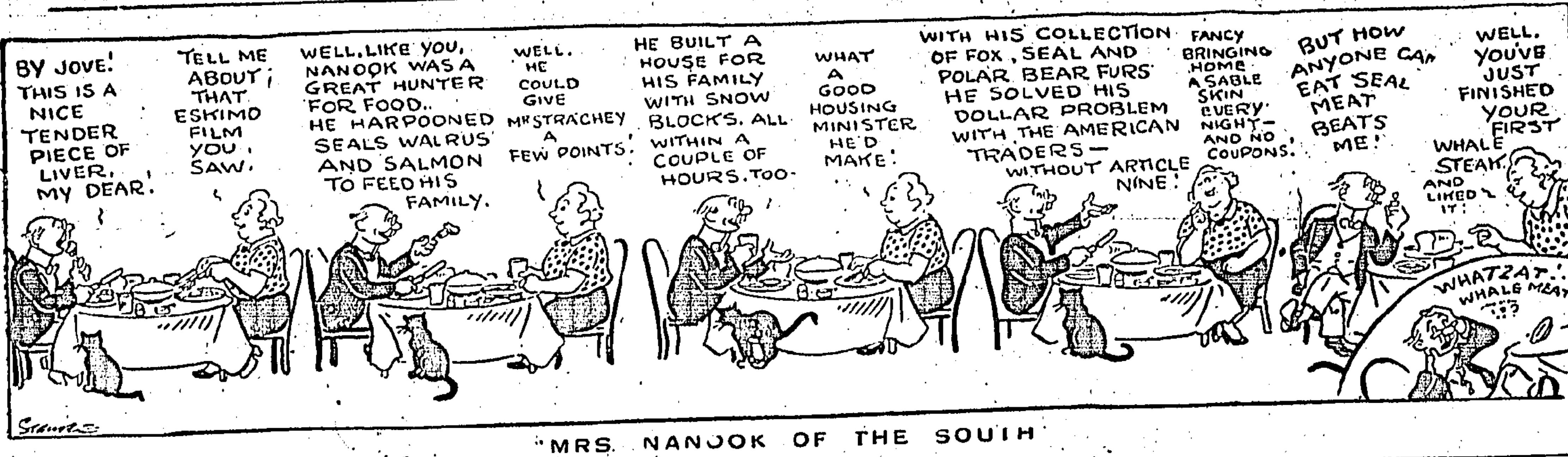
In the earlier days of the Roman Empire, there were three entirely different forms of marriage. The first, more or less, conferred a sacramental character on the union, open only to patricians, and therefore difficult to dissolve. Secondly, the fictitious sale of a wife by bill of sale which could quite easily be annulled by fictitious essays; and thirdly, the establishment of marriage by cohabitation for a year or even more.

IN all cases the wife and children were completely under the control of the husband, who alone could get a divorce. Divorces were also carried out without the intervention of the Courts.

A wife could be divorced "for drinking wine, dining with men other than her relations without the consent of her husband, and for frequenting the circus or theatre without the husband's permission."

During later Roman times, things improved a little and a wife or husband could divorce each other for three causes—murder, preparation of poison, and violation of tomb.





MRS. NANJOK OF THE SOUTH

The extraordinary experiences of a man whose 'soul' goes wandering

# CAN YOU LEAVE YOUR BODY IN SLEEP?

The shock I had when I did it for the first time

By WILLIAM GERHARDI

A doctor suggested recently that a vivid dream may have caused the formation of a clot of blood which killed a woman in her sleep.

Another theory to explain such sudden, and at times inexplicable, deaths is that the "astral body" of a human being can leave the physical body in sleep, and for some reason fail to return, the result being death so far as the physical body is concerned.

In this article William Gerhardt, the novelist, tells of some of his own strange experiences of this kind

I HAD been dreaming a dream so ridiculous that, suddenly, it came over me: I must be dreaming.

"Now awake," I said, "and find there is no need to worry, because it is only a dream. And I awoke.

But I awoke with a start. For I had stretched out my hand to press the switch of the lamp on the book-shelf over my bed, and instead found myself grasping the void, while suspended precariously in mid-air, on a level with the book-case.

## MILKY LIGHT

All around me

The room, except for the light of the electric stove, was in darkness, but all around me was a milky pellucid light, like steam.

It was that moment fully awake and so fully conscious that I could not doubt my senses, astonished as I have never been before, amazed to the point of proud exhilaration.

It was as if I were being held up by a steel arm which held me rigid—myself, in comparison, as light as a feather.

Next the force which held me rigid was electrified to a bout of energy by the sudden apprehension which succeeded my first moment of delighted astonishment.

The swiftness with which I was seized, pushed out horizontally, placed on my feet and thrust forward with the gentle-firm hand of the monitor—"There you are, my good man, now you can proceed on your own"—was something in the highest degree incredible, yet which I cannot doubt, having no reason to question my sanity.

## THE COIL

A strange appendage

Then my body checked its outward movement, turned round. And turning, I became aware for the first time of a strange appendage.

At the back of me was a coil of light, like a luminous garden hose resembling the strong broad ray of dusty light at the back of a dark cinema projecting on the screen in front.

To my utter astonishment, that broad coil of light at the back of me illumined the very face on the pillow I recognised as my own, as if attached to the brow of the sleeper.

It was myself, not dead, but breathing peacefully, my mouth slightly open.

My cheeks were flushed, as if I must have felt hot under those blankets and eiderdown drawn over my shoulders.

My hair, lifted by the pressure of the pillow presented an aspect of my face not familiar to me, never before having seen myself asleep.

The face, lying sideways and deeply sunk into the pillow, was pathetic and touching in its vacant innocence of expression; and here was I, outside it, watching it with a thrill of joy and fear.

I was awed and not a little frightened to think that I was in the body of my resurrection.

## 'MY MOULD'

Travels in space

But I was not dead, I consoled myself; my physical body was sleeping peacefully, while I was apparently on my feet and as good as before.

Yet it wasn't my accustomed self. It was as if my mould was walking through a murky, heavy space which, however, gave way easily before my emptiness.

I had in this mould of mine transgressed into its native fourth dimension, leaving its contents, so to speak, in the third.

If I did not come back soon this contents shaken out of the mould and lying on the bed may begin to lose its shape.

But there was this uncanny tape between us, like the umbilical cord, by means of which the body on the bed was kept alive, while its mould wandered about the flat through space which seemed as dense as water.

I staggered uncertainly to the door. I felt the handle, but to my discomfiture I could not turn it; there was no grip in my hand.

"Now, how will I get out?" I thought with sadness more than fear.

The same moment I was pushed forward, the door passed through me or I through the door.

Space (of another order) prevents me from describing minutely the sensations which followed.

## I WAS ALONE

In the darkness

Avidly I went from room to room, trying to collect what proof I could. I was alone in the flat, which was in darkness except for the murky light which seemed to emanate from my own body.

I could not hold anything in my hand, or displace the lightest of objects, and all I could do was to note carefully the position of things; which curtains were open or drawn, the time by the clock in the dining-room; and things of the sort. Which all proved correct when I checked them afterwards.

And suddenly this strange power began to play pranks with me. I was being pushed up like a half-filled balloon.

Out I flew through the front door and hovered there in the air, a feeling of extraordinary lightness of heart overtaking me. I knew that I could transport myself at will, but a feeling of caution intervened, of fear that something might happen and sever my link—the

"silver cord"—with the sleeping body to which I wanted to return.

"Enough for the first time. Let me get back." So I argued with my will.

My conscious will communicating in that sense with my rather bossy agent, my body after a moment of hesitation flew back rapidly and hovered over my bed.

Here my consciousness became dimmed. It seemed to me as if a dozen coolies, among much screaming and thrashing, were lowering with the utmost precaution under expert direction from a noisy crane, which seemed to reverberate in my own brain, some precious burden which was myself, into some vessel which presently became myself.

Now I knew I had not got off my bed, but was lying on it, stiff, cataleptic, unable to move a muscle.

"Steady, steady," that same monitor who had directed my plot seemed to be saying, and then, with a jerk which shook me as though the machinery dropped into my bowels weighed a ton, I opened my eyes.

Since then I have had several other projections.

On one occasion I actually visited a friend at Hastings and obtained irrefutable proof of having been in his room.

On another I have visited relations—a friend living at Tunbridge Wells and described them to her with accuracy, without my ever having seen them before.

## FRIGHTENED

Came back with bang

I recently made a point of visiting in my psychic double a friend who, walking in her psychic double, saw me standing by her bedside, the room lit dimly by the astral cord or psychic ray reflected in the mirror behind me.

She then woke up in her natural body into complete darkness, switched on the light to find the room empty. My physical body had not left my bed.

But I don't quite understand the introduction of a performing dog, or what is meant by "twelve all women who will advance slowly from one back of the stage to form a human pyramid during the famous soliloquy." Probably I am out of touch with "the best contemporary thought."

Once, while in my psychic double, I saw the face and form of a friend recently dead. I was so frightened that I came back with a bang.

When I published my book "Recreation," containing a true account of my first experience "out of my body," I had a bigger mail than with all my other books put together.

My correspondents included sober doctors who, when I met them, confessed that in their medical researches they worked on the hypothesis of a psychic double projecting under an anaesthetic away from the physical body, locked in catalepsy for the duration of the projection.

One doctor had had personal experiences similar to my own. Another experimented with a man who projected his psychic double into a recording cabinet. A third photographed the psychic double of small animals in the act of leaving their natural bodies under an anaesthetic, or at the moment of death.

These doctors were scathing about the intelligence of doubling Thomases in their own profession. But they walked a little in fear of their reputations for medical orthodoxy—like heretics under the Spanish Inquisition.

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

It is said that "Hamlet" is to be produced as a ballet. In modern dress, I sincerely hope. Hamlet in a bowler, swinging Ophelia, in a bathing-suit, by the feet, while Polonius, in flannels, makes strokes with a tennis racket, ought to give us what is called "a new angle on Shakespeare."

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## Passed to you, fleas

To set off the nineteen unclaimed baronets, there are possibly seven hundred and forty-one claimed without the slightest justification. As in the case of the Baron who won his way to a simple girl's heart by talking of the old days in Vienna, the balls, the supper at Sacher's, and so on. She said that this was all very well, but she wanted a husband who would do something out of the ordinary. So he hired a lot of fleas from a circus friend, took a room at a West End hotel, and loosed the little creatures. He then created a scene by proclaiming loudly in the lounge that his room was packed with fleas. He had arranged for the Press to arrive almost at once.

## Something out of the ordinary

NEXT morning the girl read such headlines as: Austrian Baron Hits Out At Socialite Luxurians; Uninvited Guest; What's Bitten Hungary's Playboy? Foreign May-fairito Describes Night Of Horror; Flea Drama In West End; "Like a Swarm Of Locusts"; Disgusting Avers Nobleman; Aristocrat Bitten In West End; "Flea-Ridden Pump" Accusation; Disgraced Foreigner Victim Of Bug Bombshell For Austrian Duellist. When the Baron next met her, beaming with pride, his pockets stuffed with cuttings, she said: "Yes, but that wasn't quite what I meant by doing something out of the ordinary."

## The bottleneck to end bottlenecks

IT has for some time been the fashion to explain shortages by bottlenecks. C. Suet, Esq., is evolving a scheme to produce a bottleneck in bottlenecks, so that there could be no more bottlenecks (except for the bottleneck in bottlenecks).

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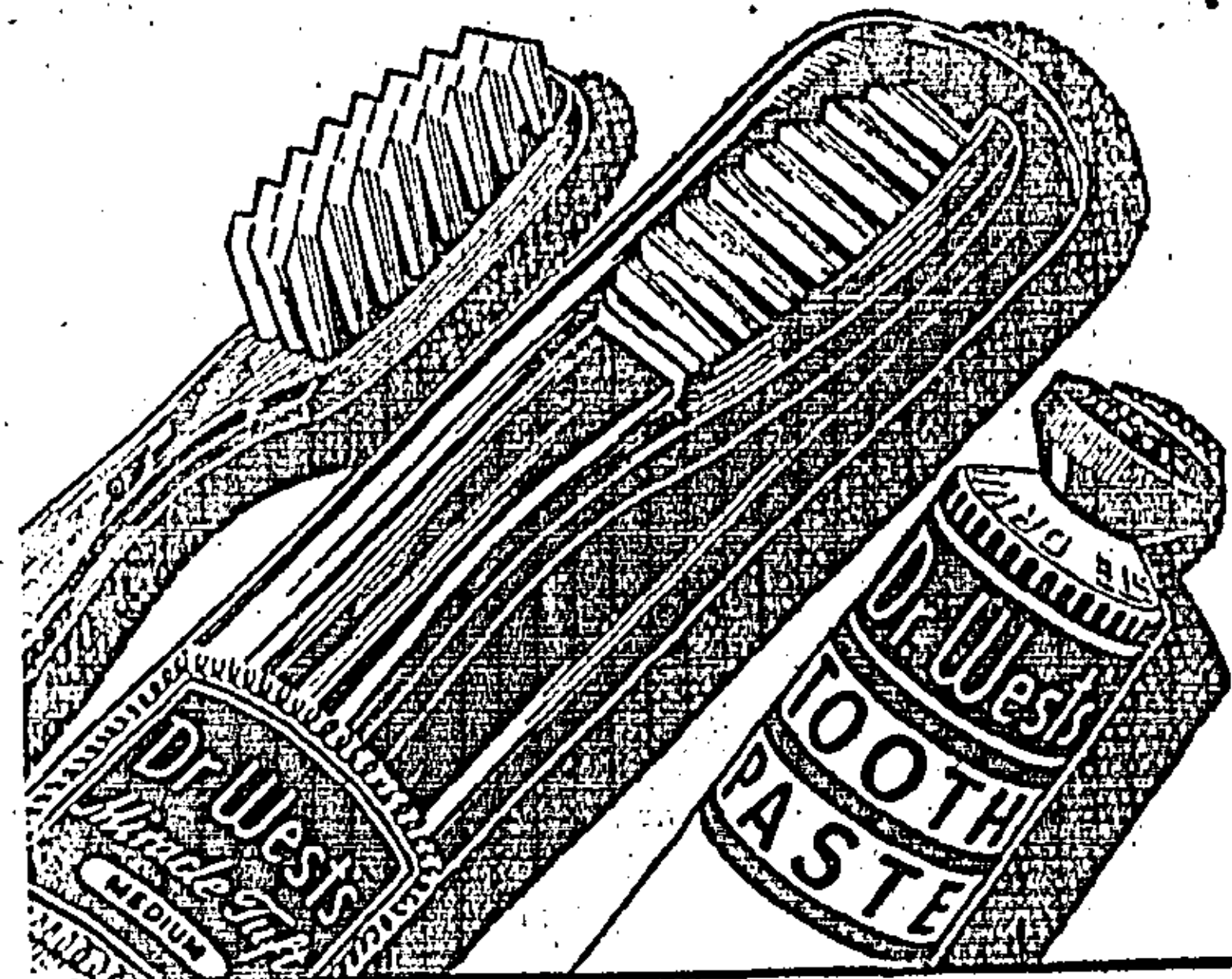
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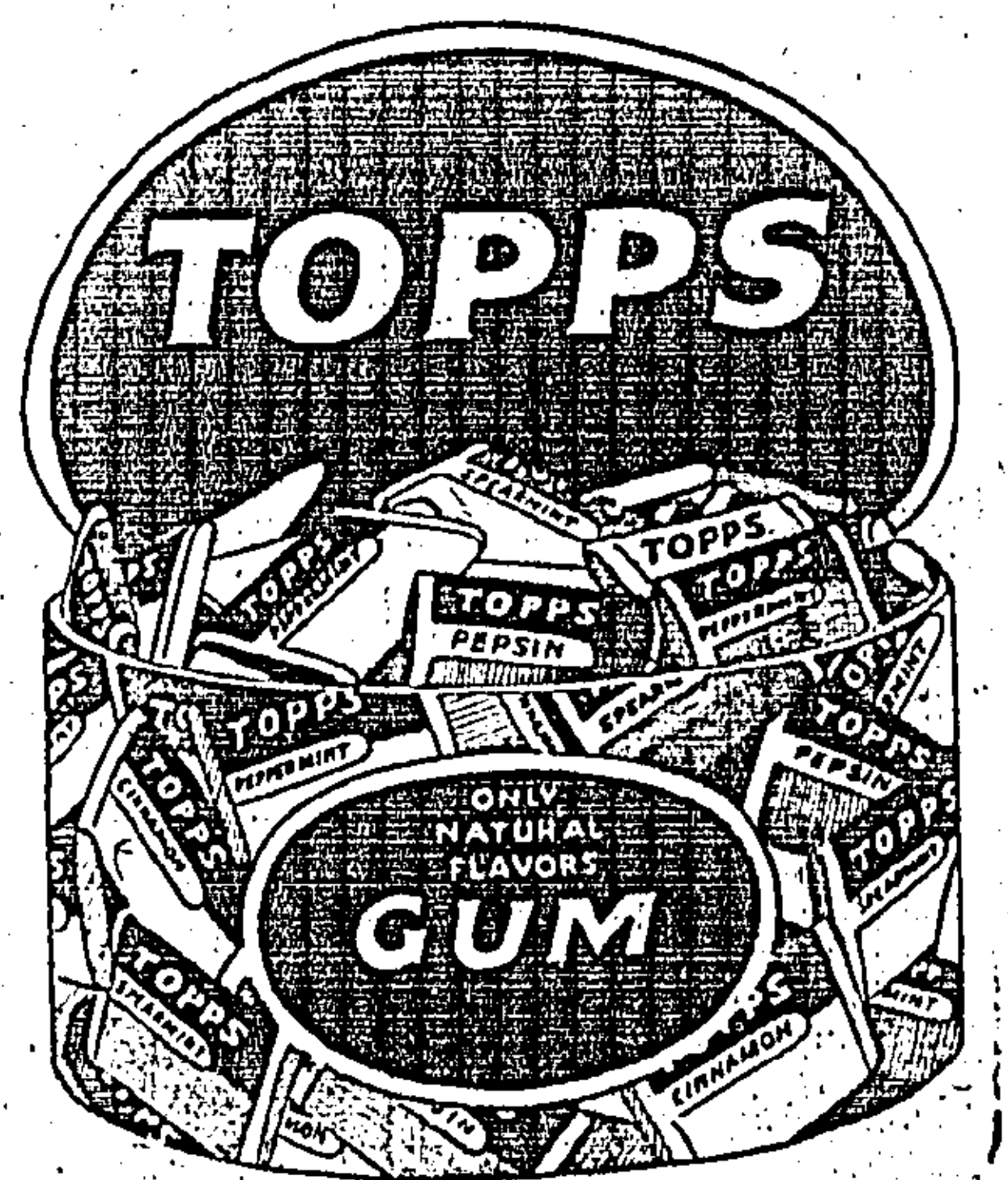


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Motorists who bought gadgets and mixtures guaranteed to give cars more mileage and a quick getaway have been warned by the U.S. National Bureau of Standards. The so-called "economisers" are merely a thinned petrol mixture which often results in a poorer performance and increased wear, stated the bureau.

Most "gasoline dopes" which are dropped into petrol tanks are only naphthalene, and they are to make the fuel smell better.

Though fuel-savers are now advertised as a development of the atomic age, electronic or superchargers, they are no better than those of 1919, which were valueless.

Tried To Get Rich Quick On Beetles

In May, a London morning newspaper offered £10 reward for each Colorado beetle taken to the police throughout Britain.

The beetle is a deadly pest which attacks crops and potatoes.

Rogar Gallet, of Birmingham, went to France, where his mother lives, and found plenty of Colorado beetles in her back garden. He took four back to England to collect the reward.

Customs officers found the beetles, plus leaves for them to eat, in a tin box in Gallet's pockets.

Sussex magistrates fined Gallet £10 "for keeping live Colorado beetles in captivity."

## Valuable City Sites Wasted

HOW can the Colony help Britain? How can gold dollars be saved? As far as the second poser is concerned, it is not obvious that the virtual flooding of the Colony with non-essentials, luxuries—yes—and many foodstuffs, might very easily be curtailed? Gowns, cosmetics, apparel of wide assortment—yes—and motor vehicles, beer, spirits, cigarettes—all these must take up a fairly heavy wad of U.S. gold!

My line of thought today is created by the announcement that the Hongkong Cricket Club ground has been thrown open to the public for half an hour or so through the kindness of the Committee. Crown land, nearly worth its weight in gold which makes the U.S. dollars so undesirable to us from an economic point of view!

Just over the way is the Murray Parade Ground, on which, nearly every evening, buxom lassies are to be seen matching their skill and stamina against the troops of the garrison in hockey matches.

THINK for one moment what the value of the land occupied by the Navy and Army represents if calculated from the basis of urgently needed building sites today. The centre of the Colony is taken up with barracks, storehouses, dumps, etc., and the same applies to Nathan Road, Kowloon. Unkind millions of that there are too many out-of-date

## Comment by "Candidus"

dollars are lying useless, just because from the early days of pioneering in Hongkong, the Services grabbed the best parts of the Colony. Hundreds of acres, the proceeds from the sale of which would put the Colony on its financial feet (and build a cross-harbour tunnel in the bargain).

But the old order persisteth—and those of us who wonder and wonder why? remain wondering and wondering why?

THINK of Murray Parade Ground or the Cricket Ground as car parks. Sacrilege, will say the die-hardists. There can be no reason today why these two invaluable public areas should not be devoted to the public who, in the last analysis, own them. The people who enjoy their afternoon tennis could be easily accommodated elsewhere, carry out squad drill on an acre in the heart of the city. Troops would be far better off quartered in the outskirts of the city, and the Military Police would not have to keep awake at night to prevent women from entering barracks (vide S. C. M. Post).

The trouble with Hongkong is that there are too many out-of-date

minds controlling its destiny. Very much out-of-date! Men of vision and initiative are not welcome, and their ideas of little consequence apparently.

Does London realise that the British Navy and Army in Hongkong are stifling the Colony's progress by occupying the finest sites? Has the question been put to London? In the past, yes, and for some reason the Admiralty and War Office bluffed their way through. Is it not possible to reopen the question and insist that the so-called Military and Naval lands are needed—not in the distant future, but now—if Hongkong is to be able to develop?

A HARBOUR tunnel is a necessity. If we are to commence the march of progress, and, furthermore, the railway must be modernised. An airport is not a matter any longer for dry-as-dust officialdom by people who take no measure of time. The cry goes up for experts, and when we get the experts, to realise that they shall not be driven to a state of mental atrophy and indifference due to being over-riden by those who do not understand the meaning of the word progress.

If Government would carry out a valuation and assessment of land at present occupied by the Services, and present to London a statement of what the Colony is losing, and how it is handicapped by such occupation, I am willing to wager that there would be but one answer. Common sense supplies it.







## Are You Sure?

Answers on Page 10

1. Where in Britain would you be sure to find a Dollar—*Stirling, Boston, Clackmannan, Rochester, Portland, Bedford?*
2. If you were given a zither you might—*Slide down it, eat it like ice cream, be taken for a ride, get a tune out of it?*
3. The first licensed brewers in England were—*Knights, ex-soldiers, squires, women, monks?*
4. What is this man doing? The answer's very pointed.



5. One of these M.P.s is a barber—*Haire, Daggar, Titterton, Sharp, Wynn, Kitchey?*
6. A letter addressed to Sleepy Hollow, Tarrytown, would go to—*New York, Lhasa, Dublin, Lisbon, Mexico City, Madrid?*
7. In which countries are these people famous—*De Valera, Bugtamente, Tilly, Vargas?*
8. One of the races run at Newmarket takes its name from a Russian prince. Which is it?

9. A bob major is a—*Florin, retired company commander, peal of bells, style of hair dress?*
10. The secret of Samson's great strength lay in his—*Arms, legs, hair, blood, heart, lungs?*

## Why Hollywood Marriages Fail

The failure of many Hollywood marriages, says Anthony Quinn, Mexican-born star, can be traced directly to boredom.

Quinn, who comes from Chihuahua City, believes more couples should work together.

"Then they would have no time to become bored," he says.

Quinn has been married for 10 years—a long time in Hollywood—to Katherine De Mille, daughter of the director, Cecil B. De Mille. He and his wife appeared together in his latest picture.—Associated Press.

## Teaching The Languages & Cultures Of The East

By L. E. SESSEL

It is being increasingly recognised in Britain that people whose business it is to fill political and commercial posts abroad should be grounded in the language and culture of the country to which they are accredited. Up to a point the acquisition of this knowledge before leaving England has been made possible during the last 30 years—the important Anglo-Italian Oil Company, for instance, has taken advantage of the opportunities for their young men to learn Persian before going overseas—but there is scope for development which the British Government is prepared to encourage.

An Inter-Departmental Commission of Inquiry, with outside educational experts under the chairmanship of the Earl of Scarborough, was appointed by the Government in 1944 to survey existing facilities for the study of Oriental, Slavonic, East European, and African languages and culture and to make recommendations for future expansion.

The Commission's comprehensive report, dealing with countries comprising about seven-eighths of the population of the globe—all Asia, all Africa (regions both within and without the British Commonwealth), all Russia, and the countries of Eastern Europe lying between Russia and the eastern borders of Sweden, Germany, Austria and Italy, was recently published. It has been accepted in principle by the Government, and action on some of its proposals has already been taken.

### Two Schools

There have so far been two special institutions, both located in London, in the particular field on which the Commission has reported. One is the School of Oriental Studies, founded in 1910, which last session had over 1,000 students. At a later date it extended its operations, and is now known as the School of Oriental and African Studies.

The School was able to render great assistance to the nation during World War II. As an example, after Pearl Harbour the War Office pressed the School to give intensive courses in Japanese to numbers of members of the fighting services. But it was not possible in the time at their disposal—Lord Harlech, Chairman of the School's governing body, told the House of Lords in June 1947—to teach the language to many, so they were taught phonetics.

"We taught them," he said, "to listen to instruments and to be able to write down what they heard phonetically and spell it in their own way. They were then able to go out to Burma and write down what

they heard on the Japanese wireless, and Japanese interpreters translated what was written down."

The School provides instruction in some 50 languages and in the history, law, religion and customs of the countries concerned. During the war, the School undertook censorship in no fewer than 192 different languages and dialects.

The other educational institution of a similar character is the School of Slavonic Studies, founded in 1910, which deals with the language and life of Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Hungary. Royal Society of Arts examination statistics show there has been a notable increase in the number of people studying Russian since the outbreak of World War II.

### Uncommon Languages

Both the Schools are part of the University of London. There is also a certain amount of teaching in uncommon languages, from a Western European standpoint, at Oxford and Cambridge and other universities, but nothing has been done to co-ordinate all these studies so far. The Scarborough report addresses itself to this aspect.

It regards as principal objectives (a) the building up of an academic tradition comparable in quality and continuity with those of the major humanities and sciences, (b) the provision of appropriate training for careers in the countries concerned, and (c) satisfaction and development in the growing interest in the regions among the general public. In the last respect it favours the establishment of an Oriental Centre in London as a symbol and focus of endeavour to promote knowledge and understanding of the Eastern countries.

Among the recommendations are that funds should be made available by the State to finance 195 post-graduate studentships in the course of the next five years, i.e., 100 for Oriental areas, 45 for Slavonic and 50 for African, the latter to include 30 in non-linguistic subjects such as history, geography, economics, sociology, anthropology, and ethnology. It is proposed that the students should take from three to six-year courses, of which not less than one-third should be spent in the countries to which their studies are related.

### Lack of Teachers

One of the great difficulties at present is the lack of qualified teachers, and it is expected that in due course these post-graduate may qualify to fill the gap and occupy junior academic posts.

A very rough estimate of the additional amount of expenditure that the universities would need might be of the order of £225,000 at the

end of five years and a further £225,000 at the end of 10 years.

With regard to objective (b) it is proposed that the two specialised London schools should expand the provision of short introductory courses for those engaged in trade, industry, finance and for others such as missionaries.

Reviewing the Scarborough Commission Report in the House of Lords in the June discussion which evoked the satisfactory Government statement, Lord Bailey, the distinguished former Indian Civil Servant and subsequent Director of the Great Eastern Survey, whose authoritative book on the subject was published in 1938, pointed out that hitherto the matter of Oriental, African and other studies might perhaps have been viewed as the need for satisfying certain administrative requirements, or certain academic interests.

But, he said, the matter must now be viewed from an entirely different angle. For, as the Report points out, the rising tide of nationalism in the East renders it necessary to build up a new relationship on the foundation of mutual interest in our respective ways of life and thought and in our cultural achievements.

In Britain, it will be seen, these facts are being boldly faced.

## HOW OLD IS OLD BAILEY?

The first Old Bailey was built in 1589 as a sessions house adjoining the infamous Newgate Prison in London.

It was decided that rebuilding was the only cure, and a new prison and sessions house were built by the Corporation at a cost of £50,000.



The prison had been there since the 12th century, being rebuilt in 1420 by money bequeathed for the purpose by Dick Whittington, the Lord Mayor.

Conditions inside were filthy and from time to time epidemics of typhus would sweep through the prison.

Both the gaol and sessions house were destroyed in the Great Fire but were quickly rebuilt. Conditions in the gaol got worse, and in 1750 four judges and 30 other people died after a particularly bad typhus epidemic.

From this time on public executions took place outside the prison. Crowds of some times 30,000 came to watch them.

In 1834 an Act of Parliament instituted the Central Criminal Court as it is today.

The last public execution took place at Newgate in 1861.

In 1903 it was pulled down and the present court built. "Old Bailey," as the Central Criminal Court is popularly known, is taken from the street in which it stands.

## FROM HERE AND THERE:

### DOLLARIUM TREMENS

New York.—With an export trade of £5,000,000,000 a year—nearly 11 percent of her total production—already falling off because of British and European cuts, America is now faced with cuts from South America. The dollar balances amassed there during the war are being rapidly exhausted.

### WITCH LAWS

Johannesburg.—Northern Rhodesia may amend its witchcraft legislation to enable any native to accuse another of being a witch or wizard. Under the present law, natives were afraid to lay information and instead killed the witch doctors themselves.

### HOUSE PROBLEM

Rotterdam.—Mr van Oostrom of Gouda, near Rotterdam, spent a year negotiating for a new home. On receipt of a permit he loaded his possessions on a van and drove to the new house, only to discover that it was already inhabited by a family with just as good a permit as his. He turned the van and drove back. In the meantime, however, his old home was also legally occupied.

### LAND OF THE FREE

New York.—Atlantic City is planning to place parking meters on all

seafaring benches and arrest those who don't pay to sit.

### SECRET JEST

Wellington.—New Zealand trade unions are to be compelled, by law to hold secret ballots before staging strikes or lockouts. The law is based on a theory that most strikes are engineered by militant minorities.

### CANADA FAIR

Ottawa.—More than 300 manufacturers and producers of different countries so far have applied for space at the first International Trade Fair to be held in Toronto from May 31 to June 12 next year. More than 100,000 invitations are to be distributed in September to buyers and buying organisations abroad. Sponsored by the Canadian Government, the fair is the first ever to be held on the North American continent.

### OIL STRIKE

Rome.—American prospectors who have been boring over several thousand acres in the lower Po valley for about a year have at last struck oil at a great depth.

### RED HUNT

Hollywood.—Advance agent for a Congressional investigation of the film capital, Congressman Robert

Nixon said: "We intend to name names and produce witnesses who will testify they have seen persons prominent in Hollywood at Communist meetings." The probe's purpose: "To prevent Communists in the event of another depression, stirring up people through this important medium."

### JIM CROW LAW

Washington.—America's South is worried that its Jim Crow law, which forcibly segregates blacks from whites, will be thrown out as a result of a Virginia court decision. The decision: A Negro pastor, the Rev. William Simmons, was awarded £6 damages against a bus company for insisting upon removing him from the front, or "whites only," part of the bus, to the back.

### FREEDOM FOR SPIES

Stockholm.—Spies working in the Swedish capital can look forward to a spell of undisturbed work. The Swedish police, including the spy squad, threatens to strike for higher wages. Stockholm is once more the big spy centre. It was during the world war, states Mr Aften Tidningen in its story of four Baltic refugees detained on undefined spy charges.

## DANCER WHO DID NOT GET DIZZY

A man who has fascinated Red Indians, Dervishes, Indians, Burmese, Japanese and every State in America, with his dancing is now in Australia, and may visit the Far East.

He is Ted Shawn who, 27 years ago, willed himself from a paralytic's bed to become America's great leader of male dancing. Now in his middle fifties, Shawn looks like an athlete of 30.

Just before the war he had a team of athletes at the Denishawn dance school in the hills of Massachusetts, and had trained them to dancing perfection, when all of them went into the army.

### LEARNED SECRET

Once Shawn flew hundreds of miles in North Africa pursuing the fabulous dancing tribes of Ouled Nails. When he saw them he was not as impressed as he had expected, but on his way back he saw Mevlevi Dervishes in Tr-poli.

Shawn learned their secret of whirling without becoming dizzy, created a dance in which he spins like a top for four and a half minutes. At the end of it Shawn walks out to take his bow with a right-angle turn to prove his stability.

Always a stickler for detail, Shawn studied stylised Japanese dancing with Japan's greatest actor, Koshio Matsumo.

When Shawn danced the legend of Momiji Gari and played the dual roles of Lady Sarashina and an old style Japanese demon, the Japanese were so pleased with the six-foot American's performance they made special outfits fans and dress ornaments for him.

### BURNED HIS WIG

The Japanese had never made their demon look real, according to Shawn. In Ceylon he found a smoke-making apparatus which he took home for a New York performance.

He breathed demonical fire over the audience with great success until the smouldering Singhalese gadget set fire to his wig.

Shawn and his wife, Ruth St Denis, toured the Orient, dancing and studying through Japan, China, Siam, Java, Burma and India. In America they became so adept at Indian tribal dances that even the Indians were delighted.

## VIGNETTES OF LIFE

## "Declarations"

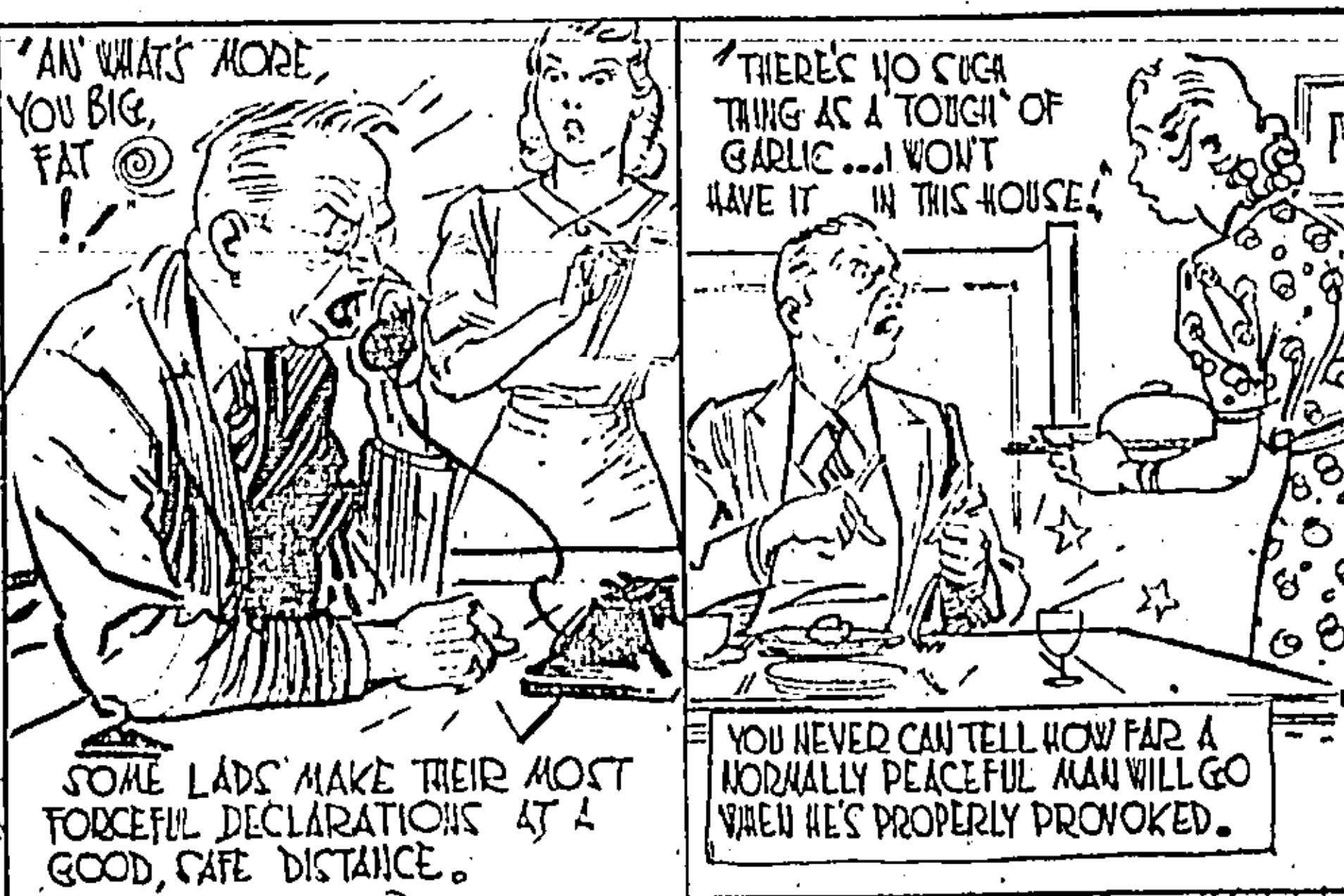
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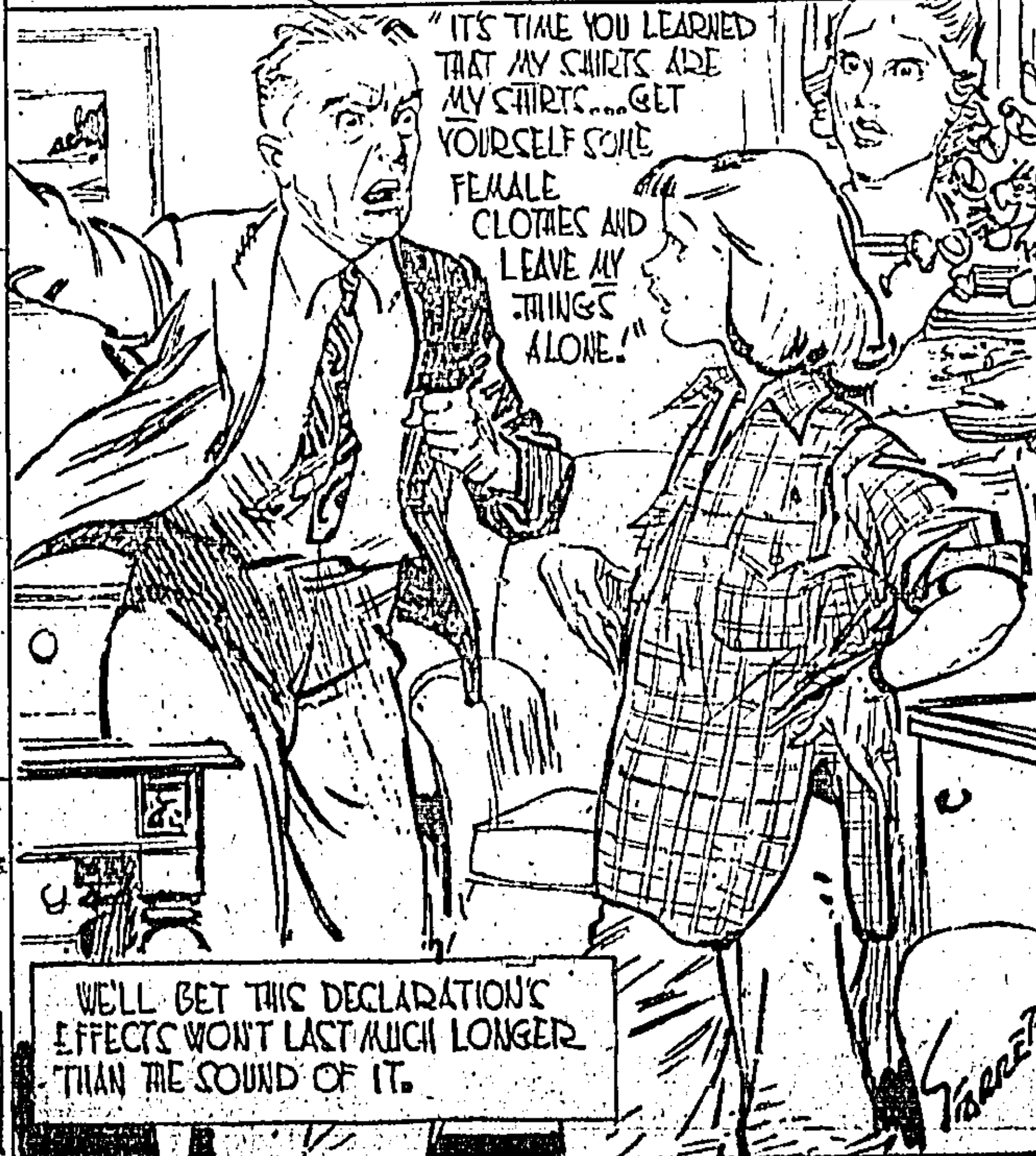
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## ARE YOU SURE? ANSWERS

Questions on Page 9

1. Dollar, Clackmannan, near Stirling, Pop 1,465. 2. Get a tune out of it. Zither is a stringed musical instrument. 3. Women who were called ale-wives. 4. He is taking aim with a harpoon gun used for shooting sharks. Tip of the harpoon can just be seen. 5. Mr. J. Kinley, M.P. for Beotile. 6. New York State. U.S.A. Washington Irving is buried there. 7. Elze, Jarmalan, Hungary. Brazil. 8. Caesarwitell, afterwards Alexander II, who in 1830 visited England. 9. Peal of bells. 10. Hair (Judges xvi 17).

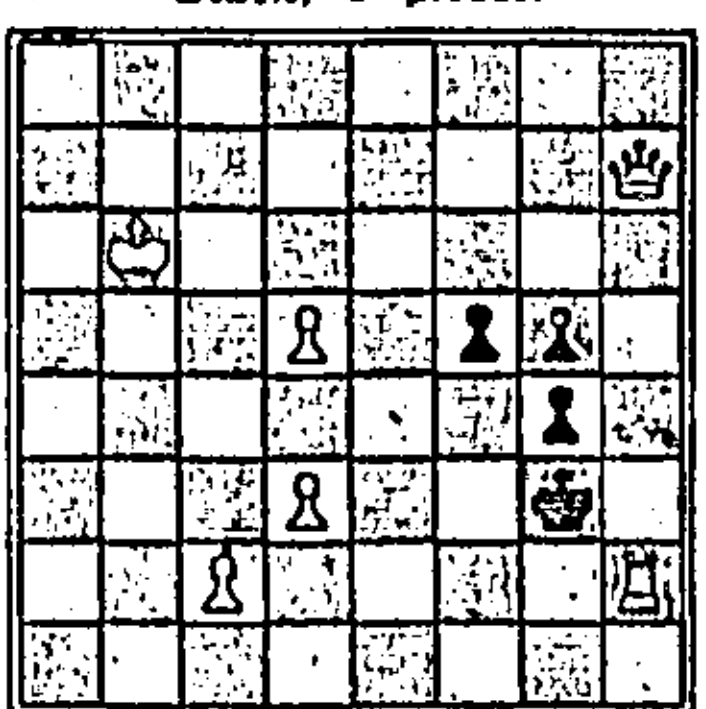
## CROSSWORD SOLUTION

Solution of yesterday's puzzle.—Across: 1 and 6 Down, House of Commons; 3, Trollip; 11, Lit; 12, Income; 14, Moulton; 15, Me; 16, Lot; 17, God; 18, Teapot; 21, Own; 23, Okay; 24, Loco; 25, Grey; 26, Doe; 27, Prens.

Down: 1, Helmet; 2, Onion; 3, Utterance; 5, Flong; 6, See 1 Across; 7, Speedway; 9, Hill; 10, Onlooker; 13, Cottage; 19, Poop; 20, Pyre; 21, Old; 22, Woo.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By E. MAZEL  
Black, 4 pieces.



White, 6 pieces.

White to play and mate in three

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. K-B2 any; 2. Kt (d4) ch

## Rupert and the Jumping Fish—6



Greatly puzzled by what the fish had said, Rupert returned thoughtfully to the river. "If the fish wants me, why didn't he jump when he saw me?" he mused. Then he started. "Why, of course," he laughs. "I must have frightened him because I was carrying a fishing rod." Carefully hiding the rod, he sits on a little diving-board and watches. Sure enough in a few moments a shining shape leaps from the water. "Oh, please, are you Rupert Bear?" says a tiny voice.

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## The Guilds of The City of London: No. 7.

### The Silver Yardstick

BY BARRY PEAK

SIX hundred years ago the Merchant Taylors' Company established their premises on the site in Threadneedle Street in the City of London where they function today. In those times they occupied a mansion acquired by a member who was pavilion-maker to the King. Until their fine Hall was destroyed by enemy aerial bombardment in World War II, it had the distinction of being the oldest Company Hall in existence.

Although in the Great Fire of London in 1666 it was damaged, it was not destroyed. It was rebuilt quickly and in use, for besides being the oldest Hall it was the largest and was much in request for important entertainments. Before London's Mansion House was erected this Hall was used for Lord Mayors' banquets.

#### Early Foundations

Looking today at the site on which this Hall stood it is possible to see the foundations of the first Hall which dignified the City in bygone times. The remaining buildings enclose a charming courtyard garden that seems like an anachronism in London's busy financial centre, where the narrow street outside is thronged all day with clerks and messengers.

Relics of past centuries, too, are the vaulted crypt of a chapel and the spacious old kitchens, furnished still with the ancient roasting spits which turned the meats for banquets. Many pictures and treasures, placed away for safety during the war years, have happily been spared to the Merchant Taylors. Two extraordinarily beautiful relics of the 16th century are embroidered palls, used in bygone times to cover the coffins of prominent members of the Company. These palls which show exquisite craftsmanship portray the tent and robes which appear in the Company's arms, symbol of the ancient origin of the Company, whose members made gambesons, the leather suits worn beneath armour.

From their earliest days the Merchant Taylors have worked to ensure both a high standard of product and honest trading. A practical example of this was the manner employed in the testing of measures used by the merchants who sold goods to the cloth fairs. A silver yard stick, still in existence and a symbol much valued by the Company, was used to measure the material. This yardstick is stated to be correct to .001 of the standard yard. One of the most famous fairs at which it was used was St. Bartholomew's Fair, held near the precincts of London's ancient church and hospital.

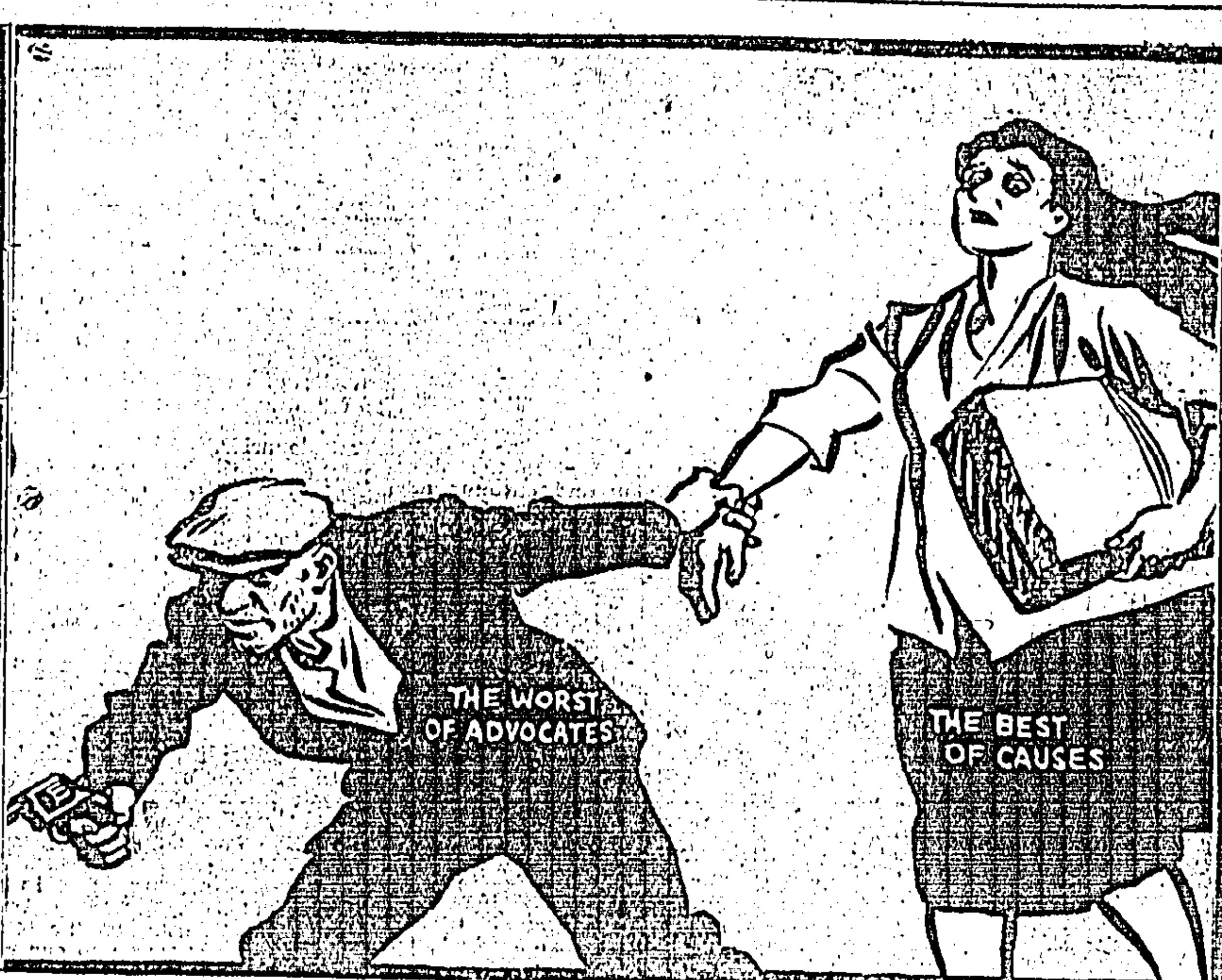
#### Times Of Progress

The 13th and 14th centuries were times of great progress among the Merchant Taylors, yet their activities were not confined entirely to peaceful trading. Many of their "missions" during this period frequently made the question of precedence the basis of disputes. There was for example, a conflict between the Skinners and the Fishmongers in 1340, and there was a minor battle in Cheapside. History relates that at this time the Skinners, a somewhat truculent body, had been ousted from their position by the Goldsmiths, and then turned in anger on the Merchant Taylors. The matter was settled by arbitration, and the Lord Mayor of London gave judgment in favour of both parties, ruling that each should have precedence on alternate years.

The outcome of this was that the rival Companies dined with each other in their respective Halls. Thus the Merchant Taylors were the guests of the Skinners in their Hall on the Vigil of Corpus Christi, and the Skinners dined with the Merchant Taylors on the Feast of St. John the Baptist, patron saint of the Guild. This exchange of hospitality has continued to this day.

#### The Fresco

In fact, the Skinners and the Merchant Taylors are the best of friends, and a fresco in London's Royal Exchange commemorates the memory of the reconciliation. This fresco was put up from the joint funds of the two Companies. The Merchant Taylors' Company ceased trading about 400 years ago, and in modern times the activities of this powerful Company are primarily of a benevolent nature. The famous Merchant Taylors' School is maintained entirely by them, and a number of scholarships enable selected students to finish their studies at Oxford and Cambridge Universities. The Company main-



## UNHAPPY PARTNERS IN PALESTINE

By LOW

## John Pudney on Books Nothing here more than 7s.6d.

THESE notes are to cheer the Bus-Bore and the Ferry-Bore on the eve of his holiday. He uses a library, and being an intelligent man (except in a bus or ferry), he likes to buy, as well as borrow, books.

The burden of this Bore recently has been that books cost so much: "They always used to cost 7s. 6d.," he moans, recalling the days when whisky was plentiful at next to nothing.

So I dedicate this week to the Bore in particular and to readers in general facing the bookstalls on the eve of a holiday.

In spite of the unprecedented paper shortage and rising costs which have increased the price of all new books, which are not so outrageously expensive in an expensive world, there is still an abundance of choice of work by living writers of repute and talent for 7s. 6d. and less.

### THE AERODROME, by Rex Warner. (Bodley Head)

MR WARNER is one of the most significant, imaginative writers using the English language today. I stress imagination not only because Warner himself disclaims realism, but because imaginative writing is the very treasure of literature.

Many people who went through the late war have had experiences which the realistic writer of fiction would despair of making credible. It is only imaginative writing, which can breathe life into print, and make realism come alive.

"The Aerodrome," done realistically, might have been a flat mass-production thriller. It is a very odd story depicting an English village near which an aerodrome was built. The villagers seem to be rather ordinary folk, with staple human passions. The airman are depicted as beings with a different code of morals belonging to a mystery of their own, a sinister society of direct action and ruthless purpose.

The conflicts which develop between the moral codes of the Villagers, and of the Aerodrome are the substance of the book, a struggle between good and evil in which the storyteller becomes deeply involved.

tains almshouses for the needy as well as a convalescent home.

It is interesting to note that indentures of apprenticeship are signed still at the Merchant Taylors' Hall with traditional ceremony. The apprenticeship is made for a term of seven years and is open to any young person over 14 and under 21 years of age. At the completion of apprenticeship, the apprentice is admitted to the Freedom of the Company, and this honour entitles him to the right to apply to become a Freeman of the City of London, a privilege that is usually claimed.

Next Week:

THE VINTNERS

It was written during the building of a subsequently famous RAF station during the thirties and its first publication inflamed certain of the more liberal-minded executives of the Air Ministry, who were disturbed by its prophetic and suggestive atmosphere of truth.

Clearly, however, it casts no slur, as the author takes care to point out in a note, on the Royal Air Force. Yet it remains one of the most controversially vivid books ever written with the air as a setting, though it is almost absurdly paradoxical that it was, in fact, written before the war.

Its message, compelling and frightening, is as potent now as ever it was. It is still "fortified" by Rex Warner's other books, now published for the first time in this uniform edition, are "The Wild Goose Chase," "The Professor," and "Why Was I Killed?"

### ADAM AND EVE AND PINCH ME, by A. E. Coppard. (Penguin)

A VOLUME of short stories by an acknowledged master of the short story who is still "fortified" by Rex Warner's other books, now published for the first time in this uniform edition, are "The Wild Goose Chase," "The Professor," and "Why Was I Killed?"

It is fantastical work. A wonderful love story of a man who fell in love with a deaf and dumb creature whom he calls "The Quiet Woman." The title story, rich with nimble fancy but never whimsy, describing a householder who becomes invisible. "Dusky Ruth," one of the most glamorous short stories in the language portraying innocent and romantic love, a casual little masterpiece set all in one night in a Cotswold inn.

### SELECTED STORIES, by James Hanley. (Maurice Fridge)

MR HANLEY, now 46 years old, belongs to the great traditions of writers of sea yarns which run from Spillie to Conrad and Forester.

His harsh, outspoken, rugged writer with a lower-deck view of maritime affairs.

This selection of his stories is a glittering assembly of his less known work, and the nine tales—probably because they are not his Bore's dull hour.

popular magazine stuff—show off his talent to the best advantage, from a terse portrait of a seafaring man such as "Lofty" to a tight little psychological, bomb-happy tale like "Wound Up."

This well-tailored volume is one of a series called the "Hour Glass Library." Two other selections of readable stories just published with it are by Elizabeth Berridge and Gerald Bullett, who gives full measure by including three hitherto unpublished works.

### FUTILITY, by William Gerhardi. (Macdonald)

THIS IS the first of a handsome and inexpensive uniform edition of the works of Mr Gerhardi, who contributes an interesting though weird article to the Hongkong Telegraph this week—see Page 7.

I have nothing against him except that his pen seems to have run dry since 1940 but for the riotous crowd to this new edition, which, among other things, states his credo as a writer and this hesitant but stern view of criticism: ".....what I have read for my edification by way of criticism percolating from either side of the Atlantic can perhaps be best defined as—I am seeking the exact word, which I think is—drivel....."

One of the pleasures of authorship is to be eminent enough to be collected into a uniform edition, but the supreme pleasure is undoubtedly that of being able to say so comprehensively to the criticism of the English-speaking world. Though Gerhardi's bark may be fierce, nevertheless his bite is tender, witty and humane.

This bleakly titled story, "Futility," written about people living bleakly in Russia at its bleakest before and during the revolution, stands the severest test of time, which is the shifting of taste in a couple of decades (witness the unaccountable waning of Arnold Bennett in 20 years).

"Futility," written in the twenties about a Russian family, their love and their hopeless ambitions, is not only preoccupied with entertainment or with ideology. Its humour and compassion commend it all over again on rereading after many years.

The other Gerhardi books in this uniform edition are "My Sinful Earth," "The Memoirs of Satan," "Pending Heaven," "Resurrection," and "The Polyglots."

Here, then, is my parting gift to the Tram-Bore and Ferry-Bore: with a final admonition to avoid the lurids, those wastrels of good paper which are, after all, but sorry pick-ups with which to beguile even a probably because they are not his Bore's dull hour.

## JESTS AND JEERS

Women may be more fashionable in longer skirts, but they are spoiling a fine hobby.

The working population, if you take a look around, is just about half.

Some women's clothes are so designed that they are seen in the best places.

"Darling, your lips are like roses." "Roses who?"

Some people grow old gracefully, while others believe they can dance.

An optimist is an old man who marries a young girl and starts looking for a house close to school.

Feminine compliment overheard at the dance: "My dear, what a perfectly stunning gown even if it does look a bit oversized!"

Two gay young blades were drinking. Before them were bottles in great variety, and at intervals they took time out to stare at an old crone who sat at a nearby table.

A bystander, intrigued, finally asked them the reason why they ceased drinking to study the old woman. To which one of the young fellows replied:

"As soon as she begins to look beautiful, we're going to call it a night."

## DIVORCED BY RED TAPE

An American war veteran from Connecticut had to divorce his wife so that she could go and live with him.

The story started in 1944 when John Torowich, now 32, was with the American Army in Northern Ireland.

He married his Irish colleen, Agnes, without Army permission.

When Torowich got back to America he discovered his bride could not join him because the Army had never approved of their wedding.

Then Torowich found that an American veteran's ex-wife could gain admission to America as an alien fiancee seeking to join her former Army husband.

The American consul in Belfast got busy on Torowich's behalf, and arranged a divorce in four days.

Mrs. Torowich can now book a passage. When she arrives she and Torowich will marry again.

## Pope's Advice On Nudity

When 38-year-old Milan sculptor Giacomo Manzù took the Gospel literally and carved a naked Jesus, it put him in trouble with the Catholic Church.

Said Milan's Archbishop Giovanni Constanini: "It is disgusting, profane, deformed, offensive, and blasphemous. Christ has always been represented partially clothed, and artists must respect this idealisation."

Indignantly Manzù appealed to the Pope himself.

With his wife, seven-year-old son, and his sister, he called at the Vatican.

Laying hands on Manzù's shoulder, the Pope told him to dedicate his art to the service of human souls and religion, and "to avoid nudes for nudity's sake."

## NANCY Very Simple

By Ernie Bushmiller

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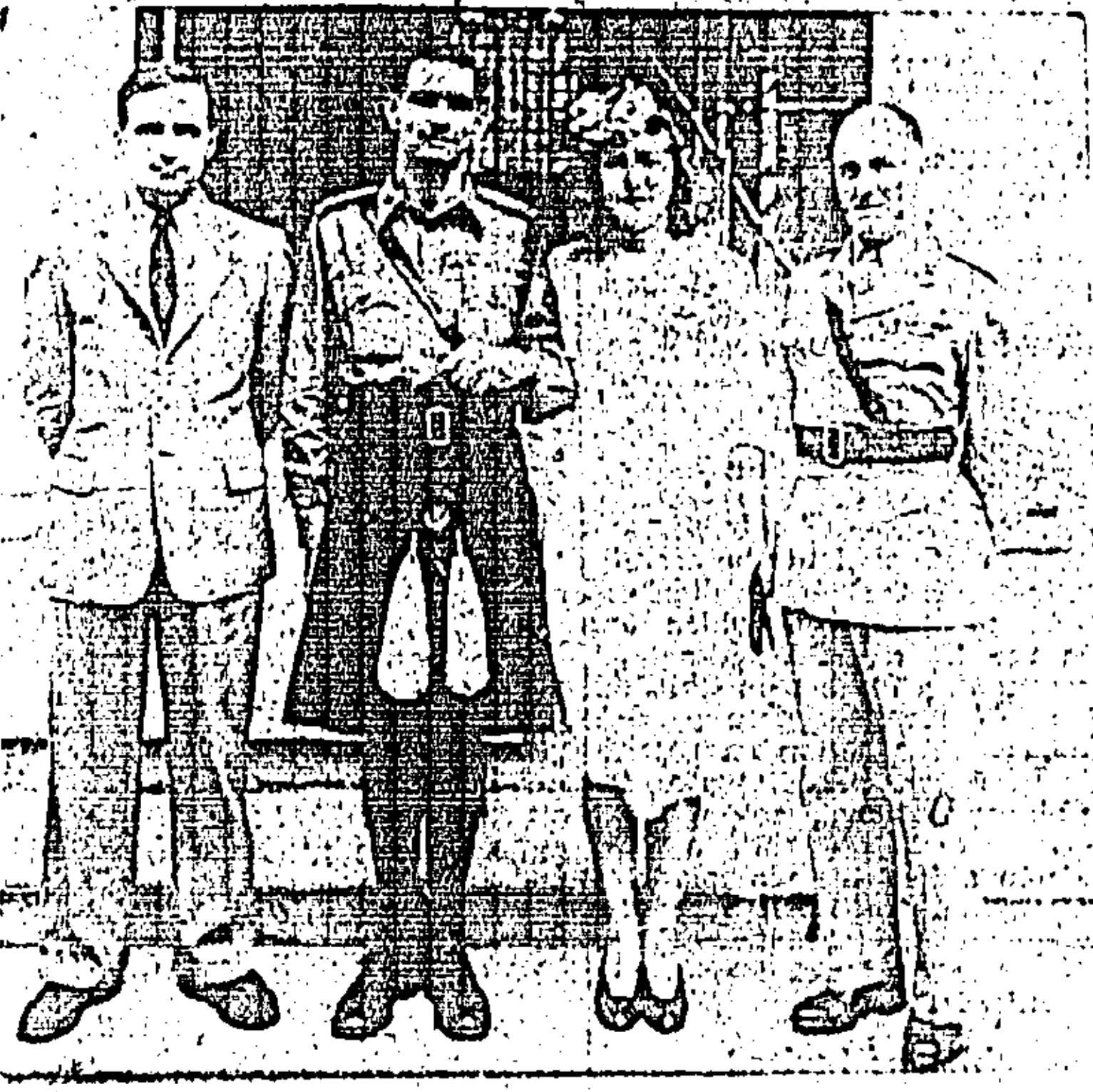
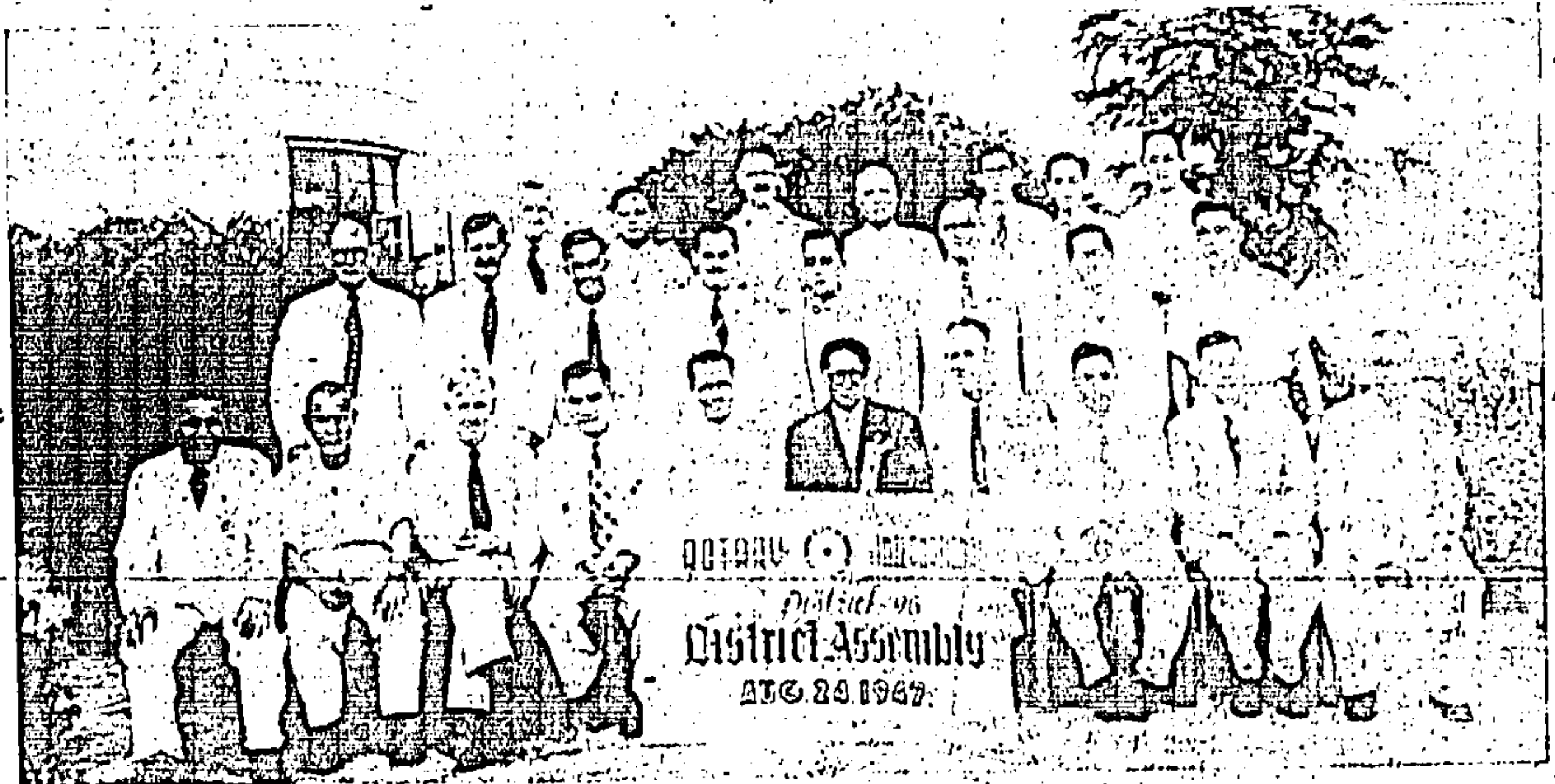
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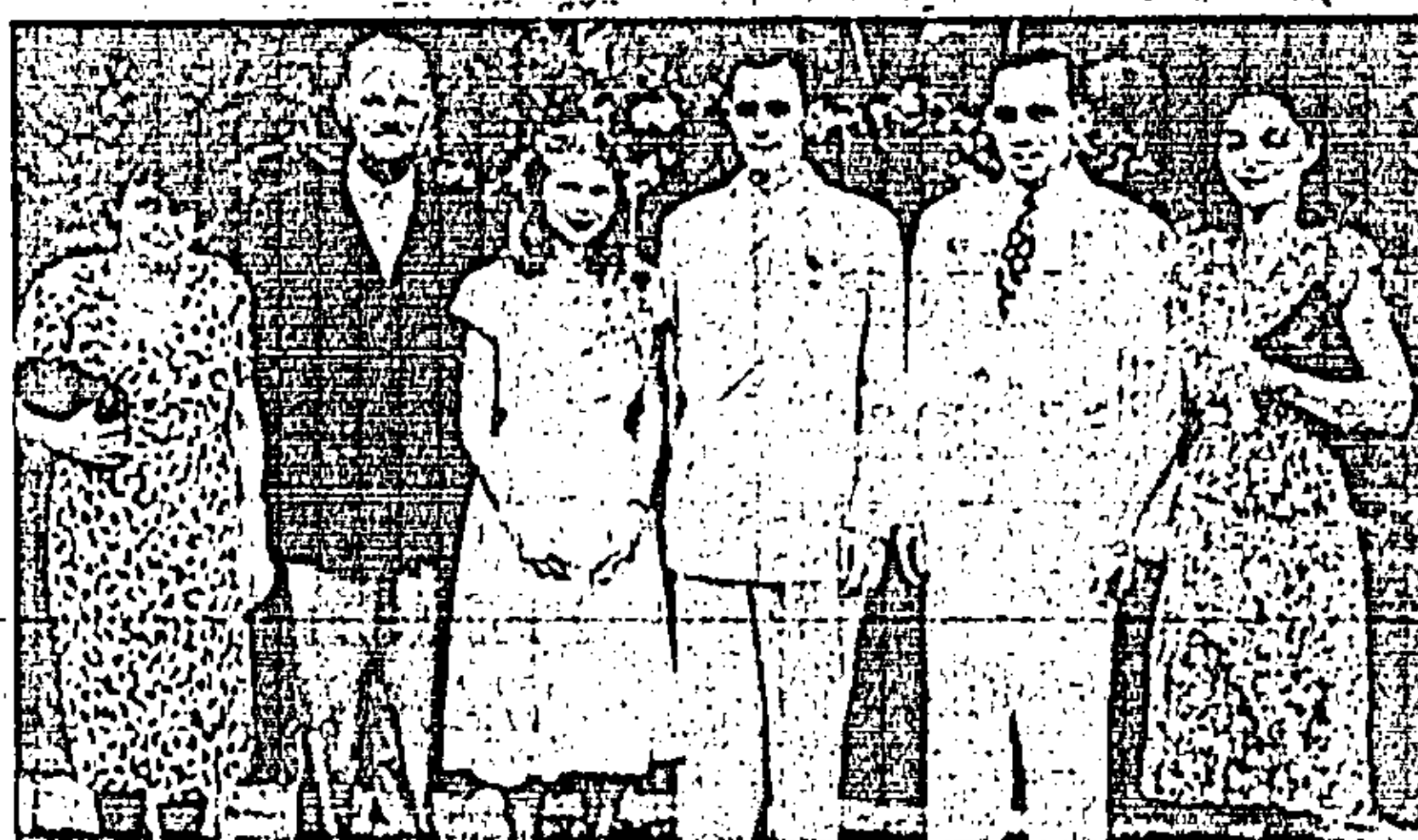
GENERAL H. D. G. CRRERAR, CH., DSO, CB., leader of the Canadian Goodwill Mission to China, paid a short visit to Hongkong during the past week-end. Picture above was taken at Kai Tak when his plane landed; left to right—Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Major-Gen. G. W. E. J. Erskine, Gen. Crerar and Air Commodore S. N. Webster. (Right) Gen. Crerar at the Canadian Military Cemetery, Sai Wan. (Photos: Ming Yuen)



ROTARIANS of Hongkong, Macao and various places in China (photographed below) attended the District Assembly last Sunday, held at the Stanley residence of the District Governor, Dr Li Shu-fan. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



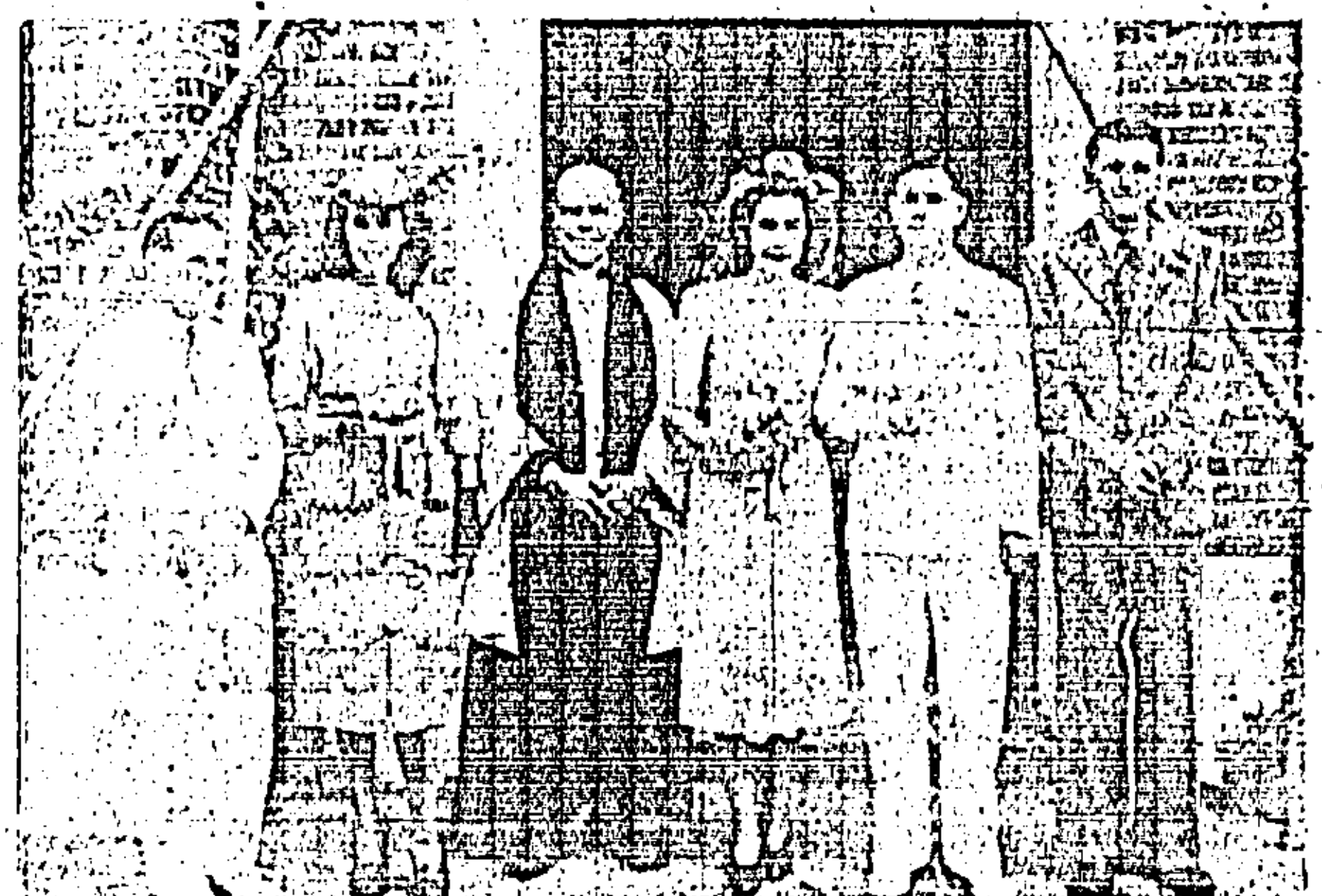
CAPTAIN Angus Macdonald, MC., of the 1st Bn., Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, stationed in Ipoh, Malaya, and Miss Jean Ewing were married at St John's Cathedral recently. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



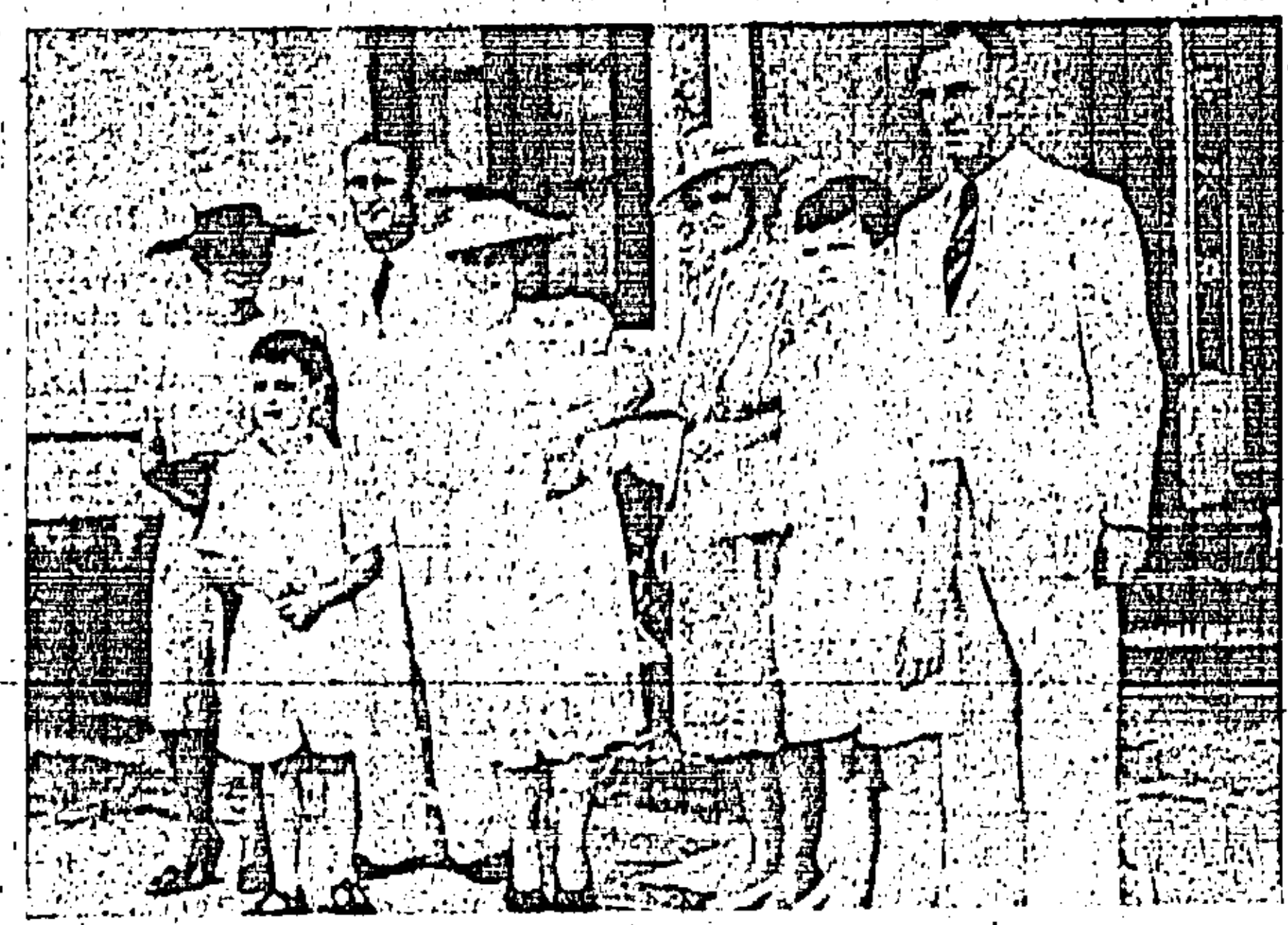
MR RICHARD EARL RUNYON and his bride, formerly Miss Barbara Rosina Price, with the bride's parents and friends after their marriage on Tuesday. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



THE SECRETARY OF CHINESE AFFAIRS, the Hon. R. R. Todd, and Miss Madge Winifred Griffiths, were married last week at St John's Cathedral. Group at left was taken outside the Cathedral; above, the groom helping the bride to cut the cake at the reception held at the Hongkong Hotel. (Photos: Golden Studio and Ming Yuen)



PICTURE taken after the wedding last Saturday at St. Andrew's Church of Mr Richard Henry Sparling, of H.M. Dockyard, and Miss Mavis Doreen Fraser, of Sydney. (Photo: Mainland Studio)



RICHARD MARTIN STUART, infant son of Mr and Mrs D. McLellan, of the Central British School, was christened at St John's Cathedral last week. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

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MR F. H. WILKINSON, Past President of Kowloon Bowling Green Club, soon at left being presented with a wrist watch by Mr J. G. Moyer on behalf of the members at a reception at the Club last Saturday. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR, Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham, and Sir Robert Ho Tung photographed with the 101-year-old Buddhist abbot, Hui Wan, at the Caroline Hill Memorial Service on Tuesday evening, when there was a fireworks display. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

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## Netherlands Accepts U.N. "Good Offices"

The Hague, Aug. 29.—The Netherlands Government today announced its acceptance of the United Nations Security Council's offer of its "good offices" in settling the Indonesian dispute on the understanding that the Indonesian Republicans "ceased all action in word and deed."

Dr F. J. Van Mook, Lieutenant Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies, is flying here from Batavia on Sunday to confer with the Dutch Cabinet.

Announcing the acceptance of the Security Council's offer, the Netherlands Government nevertheless maintained its standpoint that the Security Council was not competent to deal with the matter and stated that Holland was ultimately responsible for law and order in Indonesia.

The announcement also said that the Netherlands East Indies Government would provide consular officials in Batavia with every necessary facility to draw up reports on the situation in Indonesia.

The Dutch Government added that it hoped to inform the Security Council shortly which country had accepted its invitation to join a three-member commission to be appointed if requested by the disputing parties.

### Van Mook's Declaration

Political observers in The Hague consider the communique indicates that the Dutch Government reserves the right ultimately to take measures if the Indonesian Republic should not cease all hostile activities.

In Batavia, Dr. Van Mook issued a declaration broadly confirming Dutch responsibility for law and order to the territory now occupied by Dutch forces in Java, Sumatra and Madura.

In well-informed circles, this was taken to mean that a resumption of

Dutch "police action" against the Republicans was "less likely."

Dr. Van Mook is to broadcast a speech tomorrow on the eve of his flight to Holland.

The Dutch Army communique today reported the capture of the Republican "guerrilla" commander-in-chief in East Java, and announced that 16 more clans with the Republicans had taken place in Java and Sumatra.

An official of the Indian Food Department, Salim Shah, said in Batavia today that the morale of the people in Jogjakarta, the Indonesian Republican capital, was still high and that they were determined that even their women and children would resist if the Dutch moved on the town.

The Indian Food Department official, who was evacuated from Jogjakarta by a Red Cross plane yesterday, declared that preparations had been made to blow up the capital if it were threatened.

Shah said that the popularity of Dr. Soekarno, the Republican President, had increased since the Dutch took their "police action."

Shah added that there was little difference in the Republican capital since the hostilities began on July 21.

The food and clothing position seemed unaltered, but accommodation was limited because of the arrival of refugees.

## ATOM PLAN DISPLEASES RUSSIA

Lake Success, Aug. 29.—Russia today again rejected the outlined proposals regarding the powers and functions of the international atomic control agency.

Mr. Andrei Gromyko told the Working Committee of the Atomic Energy Commission that the proposals which other members of the Commission had worked out were completely unacceptable.

Mr. Gromyko said that the proposals were based directly on the "Baruch plan" for atomic control.

Since the Soviet Union could not accept the underlying principles of that plan, it could not accept the present proposals.

He repeated that the Soviet Union still favoured a system of quotas which would guarantee every nation a share of the world's atom resources.

The Commission is preparing a second report for the General Assembly, but Mr. Richard Miles, the British representative, said that, in view of the Russian statement, it was questionable whether such a report would be of any value.

Reuters

## Moratorium On Jap Birthrate

Hollywood, Aug. 29.—A painter, Dr. Hilare Hiller, today proposed a "biological armistice" to solve the high cost of the Japanese occupation.

He suggested that a moratorium on the Japanese birthrate would cut the United States taxpayer's bill for feeding a rapidly multiplying Japanese population and forestall any future Japanese "expansionist warfare."

Dr. Hiller, who is at present conducting a school in what he calls the future "American Oxford," said: "Of course, it is none of my business except as a taxpayer, but the United States policy of feeding and breeding means that for every dollar we spend we have one more Japanese mouth to feed."

He said the birthrate has soared in every Japanese community where the Red Cross has sent food, and suggested that a "more practical solution" would be to make the feeding of Japan conditional on a prompt cut in the birthrate.

Dr. Hiller said he had learned Japanese food production could support not more than 24,000,000 persons, while the present 80,000,000 Japanese are expanding at a rate of 1,000,000 every four years.

He said Japanese women would welcome a corps of technicians to teach them birth control.—United Press.

## International Rowers Compete

Lucerne, Aug. 29.—The European rowing championships opened on beautiful Little Rotsee Lake here today in glorious weather. Fourteen nations are competing.

In the first heat of the pairs event Holland came first, with Great Britain and Hungary second and third, respectively. Switzerland took the second heat, with Austria second.

Switzerland likewise won the first heat of the coxed fours event, in 6 minutes, 45.3 seconds. Portugal (the Sporting Club Caminhense) came second, 2.4 seconds behind, with France third.

Italy took the second heat in 6 minutes, 43.5 seconds, with Denmark second and Sweden (Vaxholms R.F. Stockholm) third.—Reuters.

He said that he had learned that the Dutch military strength had been greater than the Republicans had expected, but the Republicans were employing tactics best suited to overcoming the weakness of their army.

The people were grateful for what India and Australia had done to help them, he added.—Reuters.

### Sovereignty Declaration

Batavia, Aug. 29.—The Dutch Governor-General, Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, tonight published a declaration of Dutch sovereignty over all of Java which the Dutch troops held on August 4, the date of the first one and limited the Indonesian Republic to the western tip of the island and the area around Jogjakarta.

Dr. Van Mook said the Dutch would be responsible for law and order to a line approximately 34 miles north of the Republican capital.—United Press.

### Dutch Official Switched

Batavia, August 29.—Dr. L. Korthis was relieved of his post of Director of the Department of Finance in Batavia by a decree of the Lieutenant Governor-General today.

Dr. Korthis has been appointed financial adviser of the Netherlands Government in the United States, the official announcement said.

Mr. W. Aloys will temporarily act as Director of the Department of Finance.—United Press.

### Chinese Delegation

Batavia, Aug. 29.—As a result of the resolution adopted at the three-day meeting of the Federation of Chinese Associations, on which 31 towns in the Dutch-held perimeters are represented, a three-man Chinese delegation left for Singapore by air today to give information on recent incidents in Java and Sumatra in which Chinese nationals fell victims to Indonesian atrocities, and to collect funds in aid of the victims.

The delegation will tour Malaya, Siam, Hongkong and Manila. The tour is expected to take about one month.—United Press.

### Republicans Invited

Jogjakarta, Aug. 29.—According to an Antara (Republican news agency) broadcast from Jogjakarta, Republican Premier Amir Sjarifuddin has received an official invitation from UN Secretary-General Trygve Lie whereby the Republican Government is invited to participate in a conference on trade and employment at Havana, Cuba, opening on November 21.—United Press.

Mr. Sjarifuddin said that the proposals were based directly on the "Baruch plan" for atomic control.

Since the Soviet Union could not accept the underlying principles of that plan, it could not accept the present proposals.

He repeated that the Soviet Union still favoured a system of quotas which would guarantee every nation a share of the world's atom resources.

The Commission is preparing a second report for the General Assembly, but Mr. Richard Miles, the British representative, said that, in view of the Russian statement, it was questionable whether such a report would be of any value.

Reuters

## U.N. Solution For Palestine

Geneva, Aug. 29.—The United Nations Special Committee on Palestine today based its final recommendations for a solution of the Palestine problem on the principles that the British mandate should be ended as early as possible and independence should be granted as soon as practicable, a reliable source said here tonight.

Other points recommended by the Committee were:

The United Nations should be responsible for the maintenance of order in Palestine during the transition period;

The Holy places should be preserved and access for worship and pilgrimage should be ensured with the existing rights;

The General Assembly should initiate and execute an international arrangement whereby 250,000 Jews now in the Assembly centres should be dealt with as a matter of urgency;

The solution of the world Jewish problem cannot be found in Palestine.

The last recommendation was objected to by Guatemala and Uruguay. The others were adopted unanimously.

These "basic recommendations" are understood to be of such a general nature as to be acceptable to all the Committee members—even to those who differ as to whether the solution of the problem should be that of a single state or two independent states having only certain economic relations in common.—Reuters.

### Janet Attlee Engaged

London, Aug. 29.—The engagement of Janet Helen, eldest daughter of Prime Minister and Mrs. Clement Attlee, to Harold William Shipton, radio and electronics research engineer, was announced today.

Miss Attlee, 24, was in the WAAF during the war.

Her fiancé is the son of the late Albert Shipton, well-known horticulturist.—Associated Press.



HONGKONG'S First Lady in Canton—Mrs Chang Fa-kwot, Lady Grantham, Mrs Lo Cho-ying and Mrs K. M. A. Barnett photographed in Canton on Thursday.

## Distribution Of Jap Economic Power

Canberra, Aug. 29.—The effective growth of democracy in Japan "must be based on sound economic conditions related to changes in the distribution of economic power," an official communique issued after today's meeting of the Commonwealth Conference on the Japanese peace settlement said.

## BOLLAERT ON WAY TO HAIPHONG

Paris, Aug. 29.—M. Bollaert, High Commissioner for French Indo-China, who left Paris by air today for Saigon after conferring with the French Cabinet on the future of Indo-China, is expected to make a declaration of the French Government's policy at Haiphong on September 7 or 8.

It was earlier reported that, in announcing France's proposals for restoring political tranquillity in Indo-China—where the French have been in conflict with the Viet Namhese Nationalists for more than seven months—M. Bollaert would reaffirm France's willingness to recognise Viet Nam's independence within the framework of the Indo-Chinese Federation and the French Union.

M. Bollaert's last official engagement before leaving Paris was an interview with the Prime Minister, M. Paul Ramadier.

Well-informed circles here said today that M. Bollaert would stay two months in Indo-China and then return to France to give an account of his mission.—Reuters.

## PENICILLIN WARNING

Dundee, August, 30.—Sir Alexander Fleming, discoverer of penicillin, warned on Friday against regarding the germ killer as a wonder treatment to cure all ills.

Used properly, it will give remarkable results, he told the British Society for the Advancement of Science, but added: "It is no good sucking a few penicillin lozenges to cure a simple infection of the finger."

—Associated Press.

## Coal Mines Strike Spreads

Sheffield, Aug. 29.—A flare-up strike in a south Yorkshire coalfield in Britain's most important producing area, continued to spread today amid evidence of bitterness among the men against the statements by Union leaders denouncing the stoppage.

More than 25,000 miners from a dozen mines were idle, costing Britain 35,000 tons of coal daily at a time when she cannot spare even a bucketful.

Condemning the strike Mr. Will Lawther, the President of the National Union of Mineworkers, told the men that "it is criminal at this time—it is more than criminal, it is bordering on a stage of insanity."

Urgent discussions were going on at both the Ministry of Labour and the Coal Board in an effort to stop the swelling movement away from the pits, while Trade Union delegates assembled at Southport for next Monday's opening of the Trade Union Congress.

Observers felt that there was no sign of a settlement and the Cabinet might take up this new threat to Britain's economy, coming in a midst of preparations for a vast export drive as a "matter of grave urgency."

The strike grew out of a local stoppage on August 11, when 140 workers refused to produce a larger proportion of coal.—Reuters.

## Four-Power Conference On Korea

Washington, Aug. 29.—The United States today called for a four-power conference to speed Korean independence.

The request was made in a new note to Moscow, saying the present deadlock on the joint Soviet-American Commission to arrange for a provisional government cannot, in the opinion of the United States, continue.

The note said: "The United States Government cannot in good conscience be a party to any delay in the fulfilment of its commitments to Korean independence and proposes that the four powers adhering to the Moscow Agreement should meet to consider how the Agreement may speedily be carried out."

The United States suggested that conversations on the problem should begin on September 1.

The nations participating in the Moscow Conference on Korea were the United States, Britain, the Soviet Union and China.

The State Department also disclosed a summary of the American proposals for Korea's future, including an American suggestion for a general Korean election, which had been rejected by Soviet Russia.

The American note said that Russia's claim that the right to exclude some Korean political parties from participating in the decisions on Korea's future is "contrary to the democratic principle of the freedom of opinion."

A British Embassy spokesman in Washington forecast that Britain would willingly attend the conference.—Reuters.

### OUTWARD MAILS

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Sunday, August 31  
Bangkok, Singapore, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland (AIR) 10 a.m.  
Canton, Kowloon, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kanton, Kanton (AIR) 10 a.m.

Monday, September 1  
Macao, Tainan, Shekhi (Sea) 8 a.m.  
Macao, Tainan, Shekhi and Kowloon (Sea) 10 a.m.  
Canton (Train) (AIR) 10 a.m.  
Shanghai (Sea) 10 a.m.

Tuesday, September 2  
Manila, Batavia, Shekhi (Sea) 8 a.m.  
Macao, Tainan, Shekhi (Sea) 8 a.m.  
Canton (Train) 10.30 a.m.  
Macao, Tainan, Shekhi (Sea) 12.30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 3  
Amoy (Sea) 2 p.m.  
Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.  
Fuzhou (Sea) 3 p.m.  
Manila, Batavia (Sea) 3 p.m.  
Straits (Sea) 3 p.m.

Thursday, September 4  
Haiphong, Fakhel and Hothow (Sea) 3 p.m.  
Macao, Tainan, Shekhi & Kowloon (Sea) 4 p.m.  
Canton (Sea) 5 p.m.  
Straits (Sea) 5.30 p.m.

Friday, September 5  
Japan (ordinary letters & cards only) (AIR) 2 p.m.  
Amoy, Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Luchow and Kanton (AIR) 2.30 p.m.  
Canton and Hothow (AIR) 3.30 p.m.  
Saturday, September 6  
Amoy, Fuzhou and Tainan (Formosa) (AIR) 5.30 a.m.

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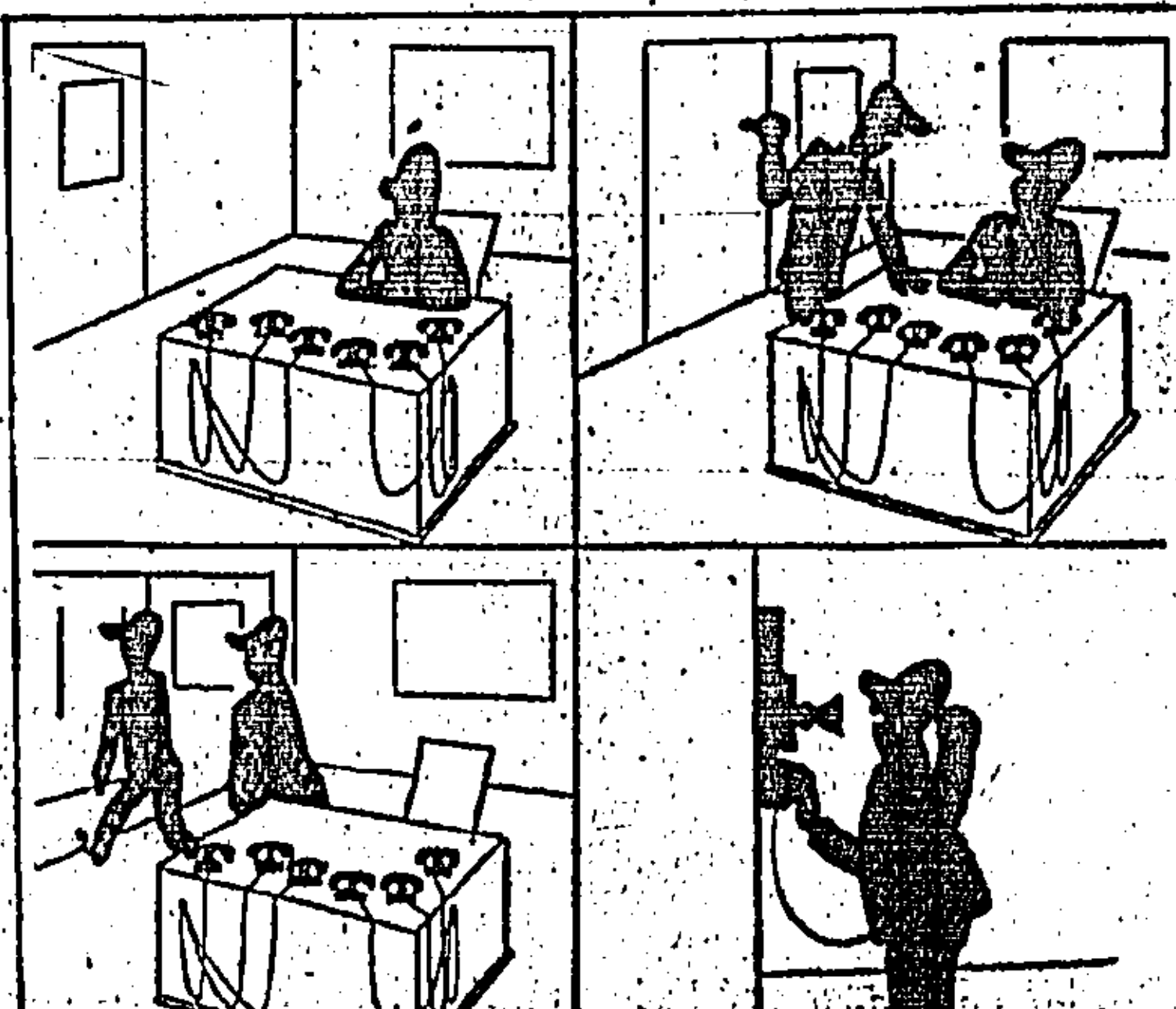
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